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NEW ERA OF RIGHTS FOR MINORITIES

Consembly Ensures Cultural And Educational Progress

PANT SAYS LANGUAGE IS NO MONOPOLY OF ANY RELIGIOUS COMMUNITY

NEW DELHI, Dec. 8 (A.P.I.) **The Constituent Assembly adopted today an Article providing cultural and educational rights for the minorities and the protection of their languages and culture.**

The Article says that "any section of the citizens residing in the territory of India or any part thereof having a distinct language script or culture of its own shall have the right to conserve the same".

It also provides that "no citizens shall be denied admission into any educational institution maintained by the State or receiving aid out of State funds on the grounds of religion, race, caste, language or any of them. All minorities whether based on religion or language shall have the right to establish and administer educational institutions of their choice.

The State shall not, in granting aid to educational institutions, discriminate against any educational institution on the ground that it is under the management of a minority, whether based on religion or language."

LARI'S AMENDMENT REJECTED

After heated debate the House rejected an amendment by Mr. Z. H. Lari to the effect that any section of the citizens having a distinct language and script should be entitled to have primary education imparted to its children through the medium of that language and script, in case of substantial number of such students being available.

The Chairman of the Drafting Committee, Dr. Ambedkar explained that the principle that primary education should be imparted in mother-tongue was universally accepted. Otherwise primary education would be valueless. He however, thought that this could not be included in the Fundamental Rights in the Constitution and made a justifiable issue.

Proceedings In Detail

NEW DELHI, Dec. 8 (API): The Constituent Assembly today resumed discussion on article 23 of the draft constitution dealing with protection of cultural and educational rights of minorities.

A number of amendments were moved to the article. Mr. Anantasayanam Ayyangar moved an amendment to clause two of the article to ensure that not merely the minorities but that no citizen would be discriminated against in regard to admission to educational institutions maintained by the state. Pandit Thakurdas accepting this position moved for substitution of clause by the following: "no citizen shall be denied admission into any educational institution maintained by the state or receiving aid of state funds on grounds only or religion race, caste, language or any of them". Pandit Bhargava explained that his amendment would ensure that institutions receiving aid from the state would also be included in the purview of the clause.

Seth Damodar Swarup moved an amendment to ensure that linguistic minorities would have the right to establish, manage, and control educational institutions for the promotion of the study and knowledge of their language and literature as well as for imparting general education to their children at primary and free pre-primary stage through the medium of their own languages.

Clause 3 of the Article, stating that all minorities shall have the right to establish and administer edicational institutions of their own, Prof. K. T. Shah moved a proviso stipulating that no part of the expenditure of such an institution shall fall upon the public purse and that such institutions would not be recognised unless they conformed to the standards prescribed for the national system of education.

Mr. Z. H. Lari, Kazi Karimuddin and Begum Aizaz Rasool moved that a new clause be added to the article ensuring that minorities having a distinct language and script shall be entitled to have primary education imparted to their children through the medium of their language and script.

Mr. Lari referred in this connection the difficulties experienced in certain schools in the C. P. by children who wish to have Primary Education in Urdu.

In the course of the general discussion on the Article, Mr. Mahirlal Chattopadhaya said that the Article was really a directive to the majority to look after the cultural and linguistic interests of the minorities.

PLEA FOR SINDHIS IN BOMBAY

Mr. R. K. Sidhwa said that they should not think of a majority in terms of religion only. There were distinct linguistic minorities in various parts of India. He cited the example of 400,000 Sindhis in Bombay, who had a language of their own. The State must give these minorities facilities for imparting education in their own language.

Mr. Jaipal Singh commended the Article, which, he said, opened a new era of the rights of the minorities.

Mr. K. Santanam said that the provision laid down in the Article was the only practical solution of the problem of linguistic minorities. The problem of Scheduled Castes and religious minorities was a legacy of the past and would be solved automatically now.

Mr. Bishwanath Das expressed disapproval against certain provisions in Article. He said that hitherto people had understood of two cultures, namely Oriental and the Western but the Draftinng Committee had created a number of other cultural and linguistic zones in India. He appealed to the House to visualise the difficulties that would devolve on the Provinces which had been flooded by refugees speaking different languages. He recalled Mr. Rajagopalachari's observation a few years ago that the minorities distributed in the provinces ought to learn the language of the Province. Mr. Das enquired whether this wholesome policy had been reversed.

Mr. Ailaflesan considered the Article as very important for the preservation of various scripts from being threatened with extinction. He recalled that the All-India University Teachers' Convention a few days ago passed a resolution that there should be a common script for all Indian languages and that they claimed that there was no organic unity between languages and scripts.

Languages like Konkani and Tulu, which had no script should be provided with new scripts by the Government, but it was an understandable to suggest that Tamil should be provided with the script of Devnagari, he added.

PANT'S PLAIN-SPEAKING

Pt. Govind Balabh Pant sand that the Government owed a duty to all citizens within the State to administer in such a way as would enable them to make the maximum use of the available resources for the benefit of all.

Firstly, the vast number of illiterates had at least to be given the benefit of primary education and efforts must therefore be made to make it universal.

In that case Pandit Pant asked whether in all the schools that would be established. There should be two sets of teachers, one teaching Devnagri and Hindi, and the other Urdu. If such a policy was adopted, then the State would not be able to introduce universal primary education.

So far as the question of the United Provinces was concerned, he did not think there was any linguistic division based on religion, whether one caled it Hindi or Urdu. There were Hindus who could speak and write Urdu, and there were Muslims, who could speak and write Hindi. There was no particular language attached to the followers of any particular region.

Therefore, the question of language with reference to minorities did not arise at all. No language was the language of Hindus and no language was the language of the Muslims.

So far as primary education was concerned, where only elementary ideas were propounded, the only principle should be that they should be in the form ordinarily intelligible to every one. There was, therefore, no question of anything being done that might be prejudicial to any minority as such to present it as a communal or a minority problem, while the question of Fundamental Rights was discussed was to give it a wrong colour.

REPLY TO LARI

After refuting Mr. Lari's suggestions, Pt. Pant said that the boys in the United Provinces were taught in the Primary Schools by their own mother tongue. He was afraid that these who had been preaching separatism in the past were not able to shed it off. Otherwise such a bogey would not have been created in the House. He pointed out that the fundamental clauses provided freedom for the followers of any particular language, which was different from the State language to conserve that language.

HASRAT MOHANI'S PLEA

Maulana Hasrat Mohani said that during the British regime, education in Hindi and Urdu was given upto primary and secondary stage. If that was posible then why was it not possible now, he asked. He challenged Pandit Pant's observation that the Muslims in the United Provinces spoke Hindi. He aserted that not a single Muslim preferred to speak in Hindi. In fact in villages in the United Provinces, Urdu was being used extensively. He demanded it as a matter of Fundamental Right that the State should provide schools for all the minorities to conserve their culture and language.

Pt. Hirdayanath Kunzru urged the House to accept Mr. Lari's amendment as amended by Mr. Karimuddin in the interests of justice, generosity and toleration towards the minorities.

Pandit Kunzru quoted the example of Russia, which while having Russian as the national language, encouraged the development of local languages and culture. Russia had even gone to the extent of giving a script to those languages, which did not possess one before.

AMBEDKAR'S REPLY

Dr. Ambedkar replying to the debate said the only amendments he would accept were those of Mr. Anaantasayanam Ayyangar as amended by Pandit Thakurdas Bhargava and other amendment by Pandit Thakurdas Bhargava.

Referring to Mr. Lari's amendments, and the remarks made during the debate by some sueakers that the Drafting Committee had changed the original clause, Dr. Ambedkar said the present term "minority" was used in a much wider sense than in a technical sense so as to include cultural minorities which might exist in particular localities.

Explaining this point, he said a few Madrasis going to Bombay or a few Maharashtrians going to Bengal and settling down there would be a cultural minority, although in the technical sense of the term in the country as a whole they would not be a minority. The article as it was framed now was intended to give protection in the matter of the culture, language and script, not only to technical minorities but also to minorities in the wider sense of the term as he had explained. If such protection was not given such people (Madrasis in Bombay or Maharashtrians in Bengal) would be subject to the local Legislature and its wishes. It would be difficult for these minorities to go back to their Province and get themselves assimilated with the original population there, if the Legislature of Bombay or Bengal passed a law denying them the right to give primary education to their children in their own language and script. In order to meet such a situation, they had formulated the clause. At the same time the clause did not cast any burden on the state. It did not say, for instance, that when some Madrasis came to Bombay, the Bombay Government would be required by law to finance giving education in subject either in Tamil or in Telugu.

IMPROVEMENT ON ORIGINAL ONE

The only thing the Clause did was that if there was a cultural minority which wanted to preserve its own language and culture. The State would not by law impose upon it any other culture which might be local or otherwise.

The clause as it was before the House was a great improvement on the original one opposed by the Fundamental Rights Committee. The original wording merely cast a sort of duty on the State that it should protect the culture, script and language of the minorities, but did not give anything fundamental to these various commitments. But the present version had converted this into a Fundamental Right by stating that the State might not make any law which was inconsistent with the provisions of this clause.

Coming to Mr. Lari's amendment, Dr. Ambedkar said the question was whether the right to minorities to give primary education to their children in their own languages should be embodied in the Constitution. He did not think there would be any dispute among reasonably-minded people that primary education, if it was to do any good, must be given in the mother-tongue of the child. Otherwise it would be meaningless. It was a universally accepted principle but the question was whether such a thing should be incorporated in the Constitution.

LARI ASKS FOR DIVISION

The House passed the clause with the amendments accepted by Dr. Ambedkar.

When his amendment was rejected, Mr. Lari challenged a division. After putting it to vote a second time, the vice-President declared the amendment lost.

Pandit Thakurdas Bhargava raised a point or order saying that the amendment was out of order inasmuch as they had decided that matters of education should not be made justiciable.

The vice-President ruled that it was too late to raise the point of order.

Before the amendments were put to the vote, a number of members were seen rising in their seats and asking for an opportunity to speak. The vice-President pointed out that the clause had been debated sufficiently. Mr. Shibanlal Saxena, not content with this reply, was seen leaving the House.

Mr. Lari was seen rising a third time and pressing for a division on his amendment. Pandit Kunzru supported this demand. But the vice-President declared that his decision was final.

The House adopted Article 23 with the amendments accepted by Dr. Ambedkar and adjourned till tomorrow.

AMENDMENTS

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Begum Aizaz Rasool said it was very necessary that minorities who had a distinct script and language should have the right granted to them by the state to impart primary education to their children in their language and script. This principle had been recognised by the Government of India in a recent resolution. The amendment would in no way debar children of the minorities from learning the language of the State.

A number of other amendments were also moved to the clause by Mr. Naziruddin Ahmed, Dr. Ambedkar and Prof. K. T. Shah.

Role Of Railway Tickets In Godse's Trial

PROSECUTION ARGUMENTS AGAINST APTE'S PLEA OF ALIBI

RED FORT, DELHI, DEC. 8: MR. C. K. DAPHTARY, CHIEF PROSECUTING COUNSEL, CONTINUED HIS ARGUMENTS AT THE RESUMED HEARING OF THE GANDHI MURDER CASE TODAY.

Accused Madanlal being ill was absent from the court. The Judge told Mr. Bannerji, counsel for Madanlal, that he had received an application from Madanlal who wanted that his counsel should watch his interests in his absence.

Dealing with the plea of alibi put forward by Apte Mr. Daphtary submitted that the prosecution had led evidence which showed that Apte was in Delhi on January twenty-nine and thirty. But Apte in his statement had alleged that he was in Bombay on January thirty and thirty-one. It was welknown Mr. Daphtary said that when a specific alibi was put forward the burden of proving that plea lay on the accused.

APTE'S ALIBI

Mr. Daphtary referred to the telegram quoted by Apte in support of his alibi and submitted that the said telegram had not been produced in the court by Apte. It was open to the defence to summon the Postmaster-General in connection with this telegram. But no such attempt had been made by the defence. Apte had simply mentioned in his statement that he had seen a particular telegram from Bombay on January 31. Though according to Apte he was at the telegraph office, he himself did not send the telegram, but he caused a lady to send the telegram on his behalf. So far as this telegram was concerned, it could have been cited in proof on his alibi.

Apte had further stated, Mr. Daphtary went on to say, that he had met Mr. Jamnadas Mehta in Bombay on January 31, but he had not called Mr. Jamnadas Mehta in the witness-box to substantiate his suggestion and that where the evidence was available it should be called. If it was not called then necessary inference might be drawn by the court.

Mr. Daphtary then referred to the recovery of a number of railway tickets from Apte and Karkare at the time of their arrests and said that the suggestion was made by Apte and Karkare that they had moved in local trains on January 30 and 31 to see their friends in the witness-box. As regards the railway tickets the prosecution led evidence to show that those tickets were collected ones.

If they were in Delhi on January 30 it was possible for them to reach Bombay on January 31 by air.

The prosecution had shown that they had in possession tickets which had been collected at the railway stations. It was, however, not known as to how they procured those collected tickets. The prosecution was not bound to explain how those collected tickets came in their possession.

The mere possession of those tickets did not support the allegation that they were moving in local trains on January 30 and 31 in Bombay.

ROLE OF TICKETS

Mr. Daphtary added that thirteen tickets were recovered from Karkare and eight from Apte. All those tickets dated back January 30. A question could be put as to why it was necessary to preserve tickets from January 30. Was it not the creating of evidence to show that they were moving about from place to place in Bombay on January 30 and 31? asked Mr. Daphtary.

Thirteen tickets was not a small thing. That fact alone indicated that those tickets were procured with a deliberate attempt to create evidence. The other deliberate attempt of Apte was the possession of a receipt of telegram and the production of a letter said to have been received by him from Nathuram Godse from Delhi. All that showed a deliberate attempt to manufacture alibi evidence.

GODSE'S LETTERS AND PHOTOS

Mr. Daphtary then dealt with the two letters said to have been sent by Nathuram Godse along with his photo from Delhi on January 30 to Apte, one addressed to the Hindu Rashtra office and the other to his house.

Godse's letter had mentioned that Godse had sent a letter and photo to others also. It was also alleged that the letter and photo sent to others had been seized by the police. No one, Mr. Daphtary said, had been produced in the court either to bring forward the letter and the photo or to say that any one received a letter and photo from Nathuram Godse and that it had been taken away by the police. If Apte had thought that the letter was of some importance there was no reason why he should not have kept it to himself.

It was clear that he had given it to somebody for safe custody for the purpose of manufacturing an alibi.

Referring to the letter, Mr. Daphtary said that he would not admit that the postmark on the envelope was January 30. The letter, he added, was written by someone with the intention of creating a story or to make the letter confirm a story which had been put forward.

SHEER ABSURDITY

Mr. Daphtary then discussed the case against Madanlal and said that Madanlal had admitted his presence in Delhi on January 20 and he had also admitted having exploded the gun-cotton-slab. But in his statement he had said that he made his first acquaintance with Badge on January 20 in a refugee camp at Delhi when Badge gave him some arms and ammunitions without fixing up the price and without knowing who Madanlal was. This must be treated as sheer absurdity for a man of Badge's genesis.

To avoid his part in the conspiracy, Madanlal had further said that on getting those arms and ammunitions he decided to explode one gun-cotton slab at Gandhiji's prayer ground and thus courted arrest. He made a plea that he would then be able to see Gandhiji and inform him of the suffering of the Hindu refugees.

It was sheer absurdity to presume that a man would volunteer to court arrest after exploding such a dangerous thing. If he was really serious about meeting Gandhiji he could have made a demonstration and shouted some slogans, as he did on previous occasion "I am sure in that case," he added. "Mahatma Gandhi would have given him a better hearing."

... "SHANKAR CORROBORATES"

Dealing with the case against Shanker, Mr. Daphtary submitted that Shanker had admitted his presence in Delhi on January 19 and 20. He had further admitted having met the other accused in the Marina Hotel on the afternoon of January 20 and also having gone to Birla House in the evening. The only part which he did not admit was that Badge had told him the object of their going to Birla House. Mr. Daphtary submitted that Shanker had practically corroborated Badge.

The presence of Shanker at Marina Hotel, Mr. Daphtary said at the time of the distribution of arms and ammunition, his presence in presence in the jungle behind the Hindu Mahasabha Bhavan and his visit to Birla House clearly indicated that he did know the object.

Mr. Daphtary then referred to the case against Gopal Godse and said that Gopal had put up the story that he was not in Delhi on January 10 and 20 but he was in his village Uksan. No evidence, Mr. Daphtary pointed out, had been cabled by him to prove his presence in Uksan. On the other hand the prosecution had led evidence to show that he was in Delhi on January 19 and 20 and that he was also present at the Birla House on the evening of January 20.

SAVARKAR'S CASE

Referring to the case against Savarkar, Mr. Daphtary at first reviewed the political activities of Savarkar and said that there was evidence to show that Godse and Apte went to Savarkar Sadan sometimes in the evening of January 14. Later Apte, Godse and Badge visited Savarkar Sadan carrrying a bag with them which contained arms and explosives. Then there was evidence of Prof. Jain that Savarkar had patted Madanlal on his back on hearing his exploits at Ahmednagar.

There was further evidence that on January 15 Apte had told Badge and to others that Savarkar had decided that Mahatma Gandhi, Pandit Nehru and Suhrawardy should be finished and that he had entrusted this work to them. On January 17, Nathuram Godse had suggested that they should go to have the last Darshan of Tatayrao Savarkar.

There had been a number of letters to show that Nathuram Godse and Apte were in correspondence with Savarkar. There was also evidence that on January 17 when Nathuram Godse, Apte and Badge came out of Savarkar Sadan Savarkar saw them off and remarked "Be successful".

While coming from Savarkar's house in a taxi Apte had said that Tatyarao Savarkar had predicted that Gandhiji's hundred years were over. The prosecution had also led evidence to the effect that a personal telephone call had been cooked from the Hindu Mahsabha Bhavan Delhi, in favour of the Secretary of Savarkar. A number of letters which were seized by the police from the house of Savarkar also established his association with Apte and Godse.

Mr. Daphtary said the statement of Badge as to what Apte said to him of what Savarkar told Apte was admissible in evidence.

PARCHURE'S CONFESSION

Mr. Daphtary then took up the case against Dr. Parachure. Dr. Parachure, he said had made a confession of his statement before Mr. B R. B. Atal, a first class magistrate of Gwalior.

It was an admission of various facts which constituted an offence. The court would have to examine their circumstance or the manner in which that statement was taken. If the court was satisfied that the formalities required under the law for recording a confession had been carried out then there was a resumption that it was a voluntary statement.

The presumption being there, it was for the person who made the confession to establish any facts which would invalidate or tend to show that the presumption was not correct.

Mr. Atal had deposed to his having observed certain directions required by law for recording Dr. Parachure's statement and, therefore, there was a presumption that it was a voluntary statement.

If the court was ultimately satisfied that this was a good confession then no corroboration of any kind was required against Dr. Paruchure.

Mr. Daphtary then referred to an application made before the court on behalf of Dr. Parachure stating that it was not a voluntary statement and it was not a judicial confession.

A Confession, Mr. Daphtary continued, should be recorded in court but there might be circumstances when a Magistrate could also record a confession elsewhere. Dr. Parachure knew that Mr. Atal was a First Class Magistrate and Mr. Atal had also explained to him the implications of a confession. It was stated in the application that Dr. Parachure's condition was such as to leave him no choice but to say what the police wanted him to say. That, Daphtary said, was purposely vague. Dr. Parachure could have then told the Magistrate that it was not possible for him to formulate what he would like to say.

STORY OF REVOLVER

Mr. Daphtary submitted that Dr. Prachure in his confession had said that two persons came to him at Gwalior on January 27 and told him that they were going to Delhi for committing a murder and that they asked for a revolver for that purpose. It was clear admission of the offence of having contacted Apte and Godse and hence it established his part as a conspirator.

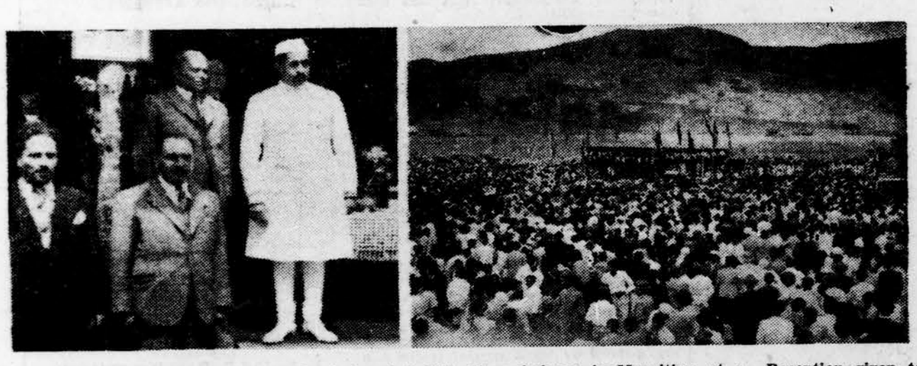
Dealing with the legal aspect of the case, Mr. Daphtary submitted that Parachure had raised an objection that the present court had no jurisdiction to try him as he was not a British subject but was a subject of Gwalior State. Mr. Daphtary pointed out that under the Indian Independence Act the Dominion of India meant British India plus the Acceding States. Anybody domiciled in Gwalior State was, therefore, a British subject.

ISSUE OF NATIONALITY

Furthermore, Mr. Daphtary submitted that Dr. Parachure's father was a British subject as he was born in British India. The effect of the British Nationality Act was that a person who was born in Britsn territory was a British subject. The son of such a person was also a British subject. If one obtained a certificate from the Ruler of a State certifying that he owed alegiance to him, it did not mean that he had lost his nationality. Sadashiv Gopal Parachure, father of Dr. Parachure was born in British India and was, therefore, a British subject. Consequently Dr. Parachure was also a British subject.

Mr. Daphtary had not concluded his arguments when the court rose for the day.

RECEPTION TO INDIAN ENVOY IN MAURITIUS



Mr. Dharam Yash Dev (in Indian National dress) India's Commissioner in Mauritius, at a Reception given to him at Port Louis soon after his arrival. A crowd of over 25,000 gathered at the Champ de Mars, Port Louis, to see the Commissioner for India in Mauritius, Mr. D. Y. Dev.

Conference On Compost

NEW DELHI, Dec. 8, (API): Shri Jairamdas Daulatram, Food and Agriculture Minister of the Government of India, will preside at a conference on compost, which will be held in Jaipur on December 16.

The second meeting of the Central Manure (compost) Development Committee constituted by the Government of India in March last will also be held in Jaipur on December 16 and 17.

NEW DELHI, December 8 (API): The first meeting of the Industrial Committee on Tanneries and Leather Goods Manufactories will be held at Lucknow on December 10 and 11.

MUTT AND JEFF—Maybe Jeff Should Take At Least One Piano Lesson — **By BUD FISHER**

I TUNED YOUR PIANO PERFECT! THAT'S ALL I CAN DO!
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STOP! STOP THAT NOISE!
THAT SOUNDS TERRIBLE!
YEH DON'T IT THOUGH ?
I HAD THAT PIANO TUNED THREE TIMES AND STILL IT DOESN'T SOUND RIGHT!

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INCREASED COMPETITION FROM COUNTRIES OVERSEAS

Indian Industries Association Chief Criticises Government's Import Policy

BOMBAY, Wednesday.

Presiding over the second quarterly meeting of the Association of Indian Industries this evening Mr. Essufalli Mohmadalli stressed the need for exploring the possibilities of bringing down the cost of production.

He said: "For one reason or other more and more of finished goods are allowed to be imported under Open General license. Perhaps this order of things will remain more or less a permanent feature of our economy in future. We must, therefore, be fully prepared for meeting increased competition from industrially advanced countries. Only then the future of most of our industries will be assured."

Mr. Essufalli referred to the industries, which are to be exempted from Income Tax. It was said that only new industries of specified categories were to be given the benefit of exemption for a period of five years on the profits upto a limit of 6 per cent per annum of the capital employed in the undertaking. The name of these industries were not yet announced by the government. Mr. Essufalli urged that they should include all engineering ferrous and non-ferrous industries and such consumer goods industries as would promote the industrial evolution and also the export trade of the country.

Mr. Essufalli further criticised that part of Government's economic policy, which allowed the manufactured goods to be imported under "Open General Licence" but did not allow raw materials to be imported under that licence. According to him this was unfair as Indian manufacturers were handicapped for want of adequate supplies of raw materials. He feared that such a policy would result in the dumping of foreign manufactured goods on the country to the detriment of indigenous industries.

Mr B. S. Dabke, Vice-President of the Association, emphasised that whatever restrictions the Government wanted to impose should apply equally alike to industry and agriculture. He suggested that agricultural products should also be controlled, because agriculture was the greatest industry in India giving employment to nearly 80 per cent of the population.

Industrial Dispute For Adjudication

The Government of Bombay has referred for adjudication the industrial dispute between the Purushottam Kheraj and Company, Mulund (Greater Bombay), and its workers to the Industrial Tribunal of Mr. K. C. Sen. The continuance of any strike or lock-out in connection with the dispute has been prohibited.

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SALVATION ARMY CHIEF ARRIVING TOMORROW

Move To Expand Activities Of Organisation

BOMBAY, Wednesday:

Gen. Albert Orsborn, International Chief of the Salvation Army, who is scheduled to arrive in Bombay by the s.s. STRATHAIRD on December 10 en route to Colombo to undertake a three months' tour of Salvation Army establishments in Ceylon, India and Pakistan, will consider several schemes for expanding the valuable work of the organisation, especially in the medical sphere, it was stated today.

General Orsborn, who is on his first visit to India will be accompanied by Mrs. Orsborn, a keen voluntary worker in the field.

They are expected to be in Bombay only for a few hours on Friday but will return to the city, on the last lap of their tour, on February 2 1949, for a stay of sixteen days during which General Orsborn will also inspect Salvation Army centres in Anand, Ahmednagar and Poona. He is also scheduled to address several meetings in Bombay.

Thanks to the gallant efforts of many pioneers of the Salvation Army, the organisation is at present running 24 hospitals and dispensaries in India and Pakistan, caring for more than a quarter of a million patients annually. They are also responsible for the establishment of five recognised training schools for nurses.

The progress made by these institutions and possibilities of expanding the work of the Army in similar directions will be studied by the General and his wife.

DACOITS CAUGHT IN ANDHERI JUNGLE

(From Our Correspondent).

ANDHERI.

Mr. Pavri, the Superintendent of Police, Thana, has succeeded in tracing a gang of armed dacoits who were playing havoc in Thana and suburban districts during recent months. Among those arrested in the jungle near Andheri are two Sikhs with pistols. A large quantity of arms and ammunition has also been found.

A dramatic performance was staged in Andheri Police Lines by the staff of the local police station on Monday night and the net proceeds which amounted to Rs. 1,200 were donated to the Mahatma Gandhi National Memorial Fund. Among the distinguished guests that were present on the occasion was Mr. Vaikuntlal L. Mehta, Finance Minister to the Government of Bombay.

Home Guards Play Their Role

KALYAN, Dec. 8.

The local Police with the help of Kalyan Home Guards and the volunteers of the Rastra Seva Dal arrested four persons who are dealing with the illicit liquor sale. Amongst them was one Mohammad Gulam Gose.

The illicit liquor den was situated in the heart of the city near Ahalyabai Chowk.

Mr. T. R. Deogirikar, Secretary, Maharastra Gandhi National Memorial Fund Committee, is visiting Kalyan on the 21th instant and will address a public meeting appealing public for generous contribution to the said Fund. Mr. Doegirikar will also tour the Thana District.

Harijan Temple Entry question in Kalyan will be taken up by the City Congress Committee shortly and meanwhile the President of the Congress Committee is approaching the trustees of various temples here to throw them open for Harijans.

Goods Traffic From Wadi Bunder

The G.I.P. Railway has introduced a special system for acceptance of goods traffic to selected points and in accordance with this system special through goods trains are run from Wadi Bunder to Nagpur, Jubbulpore and Kunpur. These specials run from Wadi Bunder to Nagpur on Mondays and Thursdays; to Jubbulpore on Wednesdays and to Kanpur on Saturdays.

Normally the classes of traffic that are cleared by these special trains are all the four classes for Jubbulpore, one to three for Nagpur and classes one to two for Kanpur. However, if room permits, lower classes of traffic are also permitted to be cleared according to Priority.

This nominated loading and clearance of traffic has conduced to better loads of wagons, expeditious transit, and quicker turn over of wagons.

Pakistan Cotton Exports

Press note issued by the Ministry

A Press note issued by the Ministry of Commerce and Works (Commerce Division), Government of Pakistan, says, "the Government of Pakistan have decided to allow, till further orders, export of cotton yellow picking and linteras to all permissible destinations without any export licence".

Latest Commercial

NEW YORK COTTON MARCH

NEW YORK, Dec. 8.

Previous closing	32-31
Today's opening	32-35
Difference	+4
Today's closing	32-29
Difference	—2

LAST QUOTATIONS

BOMBAY, Dec. 8.

	Rs. as.
Silver Bullion forward	176 13
Silver ready	178 1
Gold forward	113 5
Gold ready	114 3
Sovereign	75 8
Expectations:	
Coton Jarila Feb.	607 4

BUREAU REPORT

NEW YORK, Dec. 8.

The cotton crop of the current year is estimated to 1,49,37,000 Bales.

NEW YORK STOCKS.

NEW YORK, Dec. 8.

New York Stock Exchange opening prices:—

Anaconda Copper Mining dol. 33-3/4.
General Motors unquoted.
United States Steel Common dol. 72.
United States Steel Pref. unquoted.
—(Reuter).

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

Barely Steady

LONDON, Dec. 8 (Reuter)..Prices were generally slightly lower in the London Stock Exchange today. Trading was again very small and even speculative interest was at a low ebb.

The giltedged section showed no decided trend but was fractionally lower where mentioned.

Industrials were hesitant and irregular during the early part of the session but later partially recovered some losses. Tobaccos rallied after fractional falls, exceptionally textiles and electrical equipments were firm. Miscellaneous industrial leaders were widely few pence off.

The oil market was out of favour. Small offerings resulted in declines of onethirtysecond in leading issues.

Foreign bonds were quietly steady but there was some speculative activity in Brazilian utilities. Leopoldina rails inclined harder.

South African minings were irregular with scattered losses and gains of few pence.

Ahmedabad Share Market

(From Our Correspondent.)

AHMEDABAD, Dec. 8.

Fluctuations: Calico Opened 1227. Highest 1239, Lowest 1216.

Arvind Opened 1496, Highest 1517, Lowest 1484.

Deffered Opened 1628, Highest 1637, Lowest 1622.

Ambica Opened 384, Highest 387.

Closing quotations: Arvind 1514, Ambica 387, Calico 1234, Atul 49, Deffered 1628, Ramkrishna 262, Mahaluxmi 605, Ashok 665, Sarapur 607/8, Nutan 487/8.

Hapur Market Rates

(From Our Correspondent.)

HAPUR MANDI, Dec. 8

Wheat 25/8 23, Gram 13/12, Barley 14/12, Bejnar 13/12, Maize 15, Bajra 16/6, Juwar 15, Guwar 12/12, Matar 13, Athar 15, Urd 18/8, Moong 20/8, Masoor 15/4, Gur New 12/4 12, Old 9, Shakkar 13/8 Crystal 37, Khandsari 25 26, Fagan Future 9/3.6, Opened 9/2/6. Very steady in sympathy with ready.

Sarson 23, Taraseed 21 19, Oil 66 67, Oilcake 5/6, Cottonseed 13/12 14/4, Groundnut 16/8, Oats 10/4.

Bardana Ready 129, Red 120, Mangsir 120, Chet 115, Jany. 129, April 127.

Silver Forward 165 Gold 111/8. quiet.

Karachi Cotton Market

(From Our Correspondent.)

KARACHI, Dec. 8.

Cotton Ready Sind NT 82, Punjan 289, F 89/8, Four F 69, New Crop NT Roller December Delivery 82/8 to 83, Sawgin 86/8 to 87/8. Market steady on account of good demand.

Yesterday's business totalled about 8,740 bales.

Arrivals from upcountry 860 bales Exports nil.

Cottonseed NT Ready 7/12, Do. New Crop 8/14, Dessi 11/10, Rapeseed 210. Market steadier with good demand.

Yesterday's arrivals from upcountry 4,111 mds. Exports were 4,820 bags for Bedibunder, Porbunder, Navalakhi.

Gold Tejabi 104, Sovereigns 69, Silver Coins 118. Gold easy owing to slow demand. Silver quiet but steady.

STOCK EXCHANGE: Habib Bank 162, Habib Insurance 66, Muslim Commercial Bank 48, Three per cent 1960 Pakistan Government Loan 101.

U. S. Railroads Add 77,848 New Freight Cars In 9 Months Of 1948

WASHINGTON, Dec. 3.

Major railroads in the United States put 77,848 new freight cars in service in the first nine months of 1948, compared with 38,572 in the same period in 1947, the Association of American Railroads reports.

The American railroads began operating 1,012 new locomotives during the first nine months of this year, of which 56 were steam, four electric and 952 Diesel, the Association says. New locomotives installed in the same period of 1947 totalled 595, of which 67 were steam, two electric and 526 Diesel.

A total of 108,996 new freight cars were on order by American railroads as of October 1 compared to 115,996 on order on the same date last year. Locomotives on order totalled 1,578 as of October 1, and 841 last year. The orders included 101 steam and 1,477 Diesel.—USIS.

U. S. PULP, PAPER IMPORTS DECREASE

WASHINGTON, December 3. (U. S. I. S.): U. S. Imports of pulpwood, wood pulp, paper, board and products during the third quarter of 1948 dropped 17,000,000 dollars under those of the second quarter, the U. S. Department of Commerce has announced.

Third-quarter imports totalled 175,000,000 dollars as compared to 192,000,000 dollars in the second quarter. During the same period in 1947, imports amounted to 190,000,000 dollars. The Commerce Department attributes the drop in part to lowered prices and declining interest among U. S. buyers resulting from the current improved market pulp situation.

The report also showed a drop in U. S. exports of the same products, from 37,000,000 dollars in the second quarter to 32,000,000 dollars in the third. This drop is explained as resulting from dollar shortages and import restrictions in the more important foreign markets.

PROTECTION OF AMERICAN INTERESTS.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 7. (U.P.A.): The State Department instructions to Shanghai regarding the steps to protect American national interests remained a secret to-night. The Department had been expected to make a mid-afternoon announcement on it but none was made.

A Navy spokesman said that it was entirely up to the State Department whether or not Marines would be used to protect such American business interests in Shanghai as the power and light company.

The State Department said that any announcement as to the disposition of Marines and how they are to be used should be made from the tehatre involved. The State Department pointed out that the Nanking Embassy and Navy had been authorized to handle the evacuation of Americans. However the Department was unable to give any late news of spot developments.

CONTINUATION OF UPWARD TREND

On Calcutta Stock Exchange

CALCUTTA, Dec. 8:

The market continued its upward trend with regard to Coal Jute and Miscellaneous Industrial issues. A fair and satisfactory business was put through. Following are today's final transactions upto 2.30 p.m.

GOVT. SECURITIES: Three percent Govt. paper 99/- s lot three per cent loan 1986 99/5/6 three percent loan 1949/52 100/9 three per cent loan 1951/54 101/7/6 three percent loan 1053/55 101/8 three percent loan 1959/61 100/10 s. lot four percent loan 1960/70 110/10

BANKS Allhabad Bank Pref 166/- Calcutta National Bank 15/8.

COTTONS:— Bengal Nagpore 27/4 Cawnpore Textiles 10/14 Elgin M 17/8 Muir Mills pref 153/8

COALS Bengal 432/- Amalgamated 25/2 Bhalgora 8/14 Central India 6/14 Burrakur 23/5 Churulia 5/8 East Indian 29/12 Lakurka 23/- Raneegunge 15/12 Katras Jherriah Pench valley 27/6 Sendra 10/6 South Karanpura 28/3 Talcher 4/9.

JUTES Auckland 152/- Birla Delta 248/- Kamaratly 303/8 Nuddea 82/- Exdiv Standard 224/- Howrah 28/11 Presidency 6/15 Burma Corp 3/5 Indian Copper 2/7.

ENGINEERINGS — Braithwaite Co. 9/1 Jessop and Co. 17/10 Marshalls 6/9 Saran Eng. 8/10 Steel Corp 20/10 Textile Machinery 7/8.

MISCELLANEOUS: Dalmia cement 7/10 Sone Valley cement 7/5 Calcutta Electric 21/6 Bararee Coke 19/12 Bic 8/4 Jardine Henderson 161/- Martin Burn 14/4 s. lot Shree Gopal Paper 10/14 Titaghur Paper 37/14 Ct. Assam Saws 8/2 India Steamship 10/1.

SUGARS: Belsund 4/9 Carew and Co. 9/12.

TEAS:— Basmatia 26/12 Central Cachar 116/6 Desai and Parbuttia 401/ Hasimara 49/- Ledo 170/- Loobah 5/11 Pashok 14/- Singtom 5/2.

T. U. C. AND STATE INDUSTRIES

LONDON, (By Cable).

The British Labour Party and the Trades Union Congress have held the first of a series of joint meetings to discuss the administration of nationalised industries. This is a subject of general concern, the principles and practice of which have not yet been compppletely worked out.

The problems of control and organisation in the industries already taken over and the future scope of nationalisation have been the subjects for the discussions.

Trade union participation in management is a prominent issue. T.U.C. General Council has opposeed this in principle, but this year's Congress passed a resolution in favour of workers' participation and of nationalised industries being controlled only by supporters of nationalisation.

JUTE PLANTS FOUND IN BOMBAY PROVINCE

Industrial Uses For Fibre From Waste Growth

BOBMAY, Wednesday.

Possibilities of producing raw materials, which could be put to use in a variety of industries, from plants which grow wildly in abundance on waste lands in Gujarat, Kathiawar, Konkan and other areas of Bombay Province were explained by Prof. C. N. Vakil, Director, School of Economics and Sociology, at an exhibition at the School premises this evening.

Samples of valuable fibre plants, which are otherwise treated as waste and often burnt away as fuel, and of products, which could be made out of the same, were among the exhibits. The exhibition was arranged through the good offices of Prof. C. N. Vakil.

USEFUL FOR INDUSTRY

The commercial and industrial possibilities of the development of raw materials from these wildly growing plants came to light as the result of the efforts and intensive work for years of a bearded sanyasin, who desires to remain anonymous. He toured these plant-growing areas and conducted research work in his own "crude' way.

From these plants several substances of industrial importance like fibres, core-wood, carbohydrates etc. could b obtained. There is enough scope to develop this as a cottage industry, with a little education of the villager. The industrialist can as well utilise these raw materials in large-scale production in modern factories.

JUTE PLANTS IN PROVINCE

Mr. T. A. Kulkarni, former Principal of the H.P.T. College, Nasik, who is taking keen interest in the development of these products, said that jute plants which grew in Bengal were found also in Thana, Colaba, Ratnagiri and Karwar Districts of this province. These plants (corchorus capsularis and corchorus olitorius) have been sent to the research institute at Calcutta and Hubli and have been found to be jute plants.

Mr. Kulkarni further stated that he has brought these facts to the notice of the Bombay Government, who have issued order to forest officers to collect seeds of the plants so that they could be cultivated next June.

GOVERNMENT APATHY

The sponsors of the exhibition complained that their efforts to get Government help in conducting the necessary scientific research work did not meet with adequate response. They hoped now that the uses of these materials have been demonstrated by persons who have no vested interest, the authorities would cast off the prevailing lethargy and show the necessary tenacity and perseverance to develop these idle resources for the benefit of the country.

Unified Screw Thread System For Britain And U.S.A.

LONDON, (By Cable).

An important step towards the standardisation of mechanical products made by Britain, Canada and the U.S.A. is an agreement which has just been reached between these three countries to standardise every screw thread.

This means that machine parts of British or American manufacture will be interchangeable, an impossibility for many years because hitherto the angle of threads of screws, bolts and nuts differed by five degrees.

The common standard agreed to now will be known as the Unified Screw Thread system and the agreement as completed will establish several classes of screw threads with compromise dimensions.

The pact will greatly facilitate the sale and maintenance of mechanical products among the three countries since the replacement of parts for imported motor-cars, washing machines and hundreds of other items can be made in the buyer's own country.

TEN PER CENT OF WORLD'S FOOD WASTE

LONDON, (By Cable).

Ten per cent of world poduction in cereals, pulses, and oilseeds besides other foodstuffs, is today being lost through pests such as rats, mice, insect, and mites which attack these goods in transit or storage Britain alone is thus losing 2,000,000 tons of food per year.

These alarming facts were quoted in the House of Lords by Lord Lucas of Chilworth at the second reading of the Prevention of Damage by Pests Bill.

This Bill will vest control in the Ministers of Agriculture in England and Scotland, and local authorities will become directly responsible for the prevention and remedy of pest infestation in their districts. Occupiers will have no other duties than notification and the granting of free access to disinfestation officers.

This should result in a much more efficient attack on the problem with consequent saving of foodstuffs and greater freedom from disease—for pests were proved disease-carriers as well as destroyers of food.

The wealth of nations No. 2. GREECE

Between 466 and 428 B. C. Athens was under the leadership of Pericles—a great and vigorous leader. He rebuilt the city of Athens and collected together great architects and sculptors to build wide amphitheatres, majestic statues, beautiful temples and the Parthenon. But he also gathered around him philosophers and thinkers, poets and musicians, artists and astronomers who all added to the glory of Greece.

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Business MAN'S DIARY

FUTURE OF INSURANCE COMPANIES

For the past five months, the attention of Insurancemen has been drawn to proposals for the nationalisation of Insurance Companies. It is claimed that nationalisation would reduce the cost and control of funds would extend safety. However without Insurance Agents it is difficult to book extensive business as the overwhelming population in this country is uneducated and they do not know the underlying safety provided in a life policy—moreover what is the per capita income which will provide savings to pay Insurance premia? It will also be interesting to find out the number of lapses from failure to pay premium money. In stray cases an over enthusiastic agent, to fulfill his quota with a view to earn his higher rate of commission, may introduce nominal business which may lapse — these lapses provide huge incomes to companies. It is too early to think of nationalisation of insurance companies and those who favour the idea must prove that it will provide relief to policy holders and reduction in premia rates.

FAMINE IN GUJERAT

It is said that the Central Government has sanctioned Rs. 12/- lakhs for relief to the famine-stricken parts of Gujarat. Recently Sjt. Jairamdas Daulatram, Food Minister to the Government of India, toured the affected parts and effective steps to extend relief are being considered. The local Government had discussed the subject with several leader and an appeal is made for donations. The city of Bombay has always extended financial help to all parts of the country in past years. Some of the funds left handsome balances unutilised and it will not be out of place to divert these sums wherever they are lying idle. It is not the case of only extending food to these parts but many of the villagers have lost their cattle and other implements for agriculture which must be provided in form of Tagavi's so that these people may resume their normal life.

NEED FOR LABORATORIES

Dr. Karl T. Compton, Chairman of the United States Research and Development Board, stressed the importance of industrial research in the Modern World. A catastrophe awaits the human race if populations continue to increase while the reserves of fertile soil, fuel and minerals are expended; he said, "It is none too early, and in some cases may be already unfortunately late, to carry on research in many lives which may enable us to utilise the resources we still have left more wisely and efficiently or develop adequate substitutes for those which are nearing exhaustion." In the United States in 1946, there were 2,500 industrial research laboratories employing 133,500 persons compared with 100 laboratories employing 3,000 in 1915. This is an eye opener for our scientists—many science graduates are seeking employment in commercial firms as book-keepers and clerks as we have very few laboratories in this country.

TIME TO BOOK PROFIT

Bull operators scored another victory on Wednesday by pushing up Tata Steel Defd. Shares by Rs. 14/- but now a level is reached which needs caution. Even if Bulls persist, some important selling can not be ruled out as roughly prices have advanced about Rs. 200/- from the extreme ex-dividend low level. It is true that Bulls are having an easy time at present but too steep and rapid a rise often endangers the price structure. Thus it will be advisable to book profits and await developments. Both Cotton and Bullion markets maintained steady tone while castorseeds were quiet suggesting downward trend.

Bank-Notes Circulation Drops Over 6 Crores

The weekly statement of the Reserve Bank of India for the week ended Dec. 3 shows a drop of Rs. 6,42,15,000 in notes circulation. Details are as under:—

ISSUE DEPARTMENT.

LIABILITIES.

	Rs.	
Notes held in the Banking Department		23,65,82,000
		—3,87,83,000
Notes in circulation		1191,21,95,000
		—6,42,15,000
Total Notes issued		1214,87,77,000
		—10,19,98,000
Total Liabilities		1214,87,77,000

ASSETS.

	Rs.	
A. Gold Coin and Bullion:—		
(a) Held India		41,87,38,000
(b) Held outside India		.....
Sterling Securities		779,42,93,000
		—6,80,92,000
Total of A		821,30,31,000
B. Rupee Coin		46,13,05,000
Government of India Rupee Securities		347,44,41,000
Internal Bills of Exchange and other commercial Paper		.....
Total Assets		1214,87,77,000

Ratio of Total of A to Liabilities: 67.604 per cent.

BANKING DEPARTMENT.

LIABILITIES.

	Rs.
Capital paid up	5,00,00,000
Reserve Fund	5,00,00,000
Deposits:—	
(a) Government	
(1) Central Government	214,26,99,000
(2) Other Government	12,64,44,000
(b) Banks	81,94,69,000
(c) Others	57,35,52,000
Bills Payable	4,02,31,000
Other Liabilities	8,88,27,000
Total Rs.	389,12,22,000

ASSETS.

	Rs.
Notes	23,65,82,000
Rupee Coin	7,03,000
Subsidiary Coin	1,70,000
Bills Purchased and Discounted:—	
(a) Internal	52,83,000
(b) External	.....
(c) Government Treasury Bills	1,83,04,000
Balances held abroad	263,88,86,000
Loans and Advances to Governments	32,7,00,000
Other Loans and Advances	3,96,41,000
Investments	88,96,91,000
Other Assets	2,92,62,000
Total Rs.	389,12,22,000

BOMBAY Stock Exchange

Active Bull Support Hardens Steel Shares

BOMBAY, Dec. 8.

Opening improvement in Tata Steel shares on the Bombay stock exchange was attributed to Bull manipulatioi. At every low level buils stepped in to buy and thus prevented market from going down. Textile shares were steady in sympathy with Steels. Banks were quiet and there was small improvement in the miscellaneous section.

Tata Steel Defd. shares opened Rs. 20 higher at Rs. 1632/8 and improved to Rs. 1637/8 on bull support. At this level there was small profit taking and Defds declined to Rs. 1621/4. Again bull support appeared and Defds improved at Rs. 1635 and steadied at Rs. 1627/8 Ordinary shares were steady at Rs. 298 after opening at Rs. 300. Bengal Steels were placed at Rs. 20/4 while Indian Irons were done at Rs. 24/5. Tata Steel 2nd Pref. shares were quoted at Rs. 135/8.

Cotton Mill shares were steady. Bombay Dyeings were in demand at Rs. 1025 after opening at Rs. 1030. Central Indias were quiet at Rs. 259. Finlays and Gokas both were done at Rs. 282. Indore Malways were quoted at Rs. 197/8. Kohinoors were offered at Rs. 294. New Greats improved to Rs. 168 after opening at Rs. 165. Simplex shares were done at Rs. 185 while Swadeshis were quiet at Rs. 295/8 after touching Rs. 297. Podars came in business at Rs. 165.

Among Banks Barodas found buyers at Rs. 149/8 while Centrals were quoted at Rs. 87. Imperials fully paid and contributory shares were placed at Rs. 1762/8 and Rs. 432/8 respectively.

In the miscellaneous section Cements, Scindias and Constructions were better placed at the opening. Associated Cements were steady at Rs. 156/8. Belapurs opened at Rs. 248 and quietned at Rs. 246. Burmas were offered at Rs. 346/4 after opening at Rs. 352/8. Premier Constructions and Scindias were placed at Rs. 154/8 and Rs. 21/2 respectively. Alcocks came in business at Rs. 301/4. Tata Chemicals and Oils were steady at Rs. 13/12 and Rs. 56/12. Steamers found buyers at Rs. 425 while Wimcos were placed at Rs. 280.

FORWARD SECTION

Bombay Dyeing (12-8)	1026 4
Kohinoor Mills (6)	291 8
Swadeshi Mills (22)	294 8
Central India Mills (4)	358 0
Simplex Mills (S)	184 8
New Great Eastern (10)	165 0
Gokak Mills (9 plus 3)	281 0
India Belaching (6)	160 0
Century Spinning (15)	246 4
Colaba Land and Mills (12)	155 0
Indian Bleaching (6)	159 0
Swan Mills (20)	335 0
Finlay Mills (15)	281 0
Morarji Goculdas (S)	507 8
Edward Sassoon (30) XR	235 0
Meyer (12)	135 0
Apollo Mills (As. 4)	3 2 6
India United Ord. (0-13-9)	12 1
India United Dfd. (0-2-6)	1 10 3
Madhusudan Mills (15)	211 4
Podar (S)	165 0
Khatau Makanji (8)	231 4
Indore Coupon	97 0
STEEL SHARES	
Tata Steel Ord. (14)	297 0
Tata Steel Defd. (64-15-0)	1626 4
Tata Steel and Pref. (7-8)	135 4
CEMENT	
Associated Cement (5)	155 8
INDUSTRIES	
Burma (12-8)	341 14
Belapur Sugar (12)	246 0
Shivrajpur Syndicate (1-8)	32 0
Scindia Steam (1-4)	21 4 6
Premier Construction	154 0
Tata Chemical	13 10
Tata Oil (2)	56 12
Indian Iron (0-12)	24 4
Bengal Steel (0-8-0)	20 4
Wimco	278 12
Alcock	309 0
Belapur Coupon	61 0

CASH SECTION

COTTON MILLS	
Elphinstone Mills (5)	70 8
Phoenix Mills (50)	451 4
Indian Manufacturing XD	4350 0
Koorla Mills (S)	131 4
David Mills (6)	191 4
New City Mills (10)	190 0
Minerva Mills (12)	130 0
Bradbury Mills (12)	587 8
Bharucha Defd. (0-4)	5 0
Bharat Mills (2)	34 4
Mysore Spg. Mills (8)	192 8
Madhavji Dharamsi (0-12)	15 0
Model Mills (12-8)	198 12
Lakshmi Cotton (25)	630 0
Vishnu Cotton (8)	230 0
Western India (40)	3950 0
Standard Mills (15)	245 0
Sholapur Mills (200)	3900 0
Sassoon Cotton Mills (0-8)	11 4
Hindustan Mills (40)	4290 0
Tata Mills (3)	63 8
Ahmedabad Advance Old (9)	273 12
Ahmedabad Advance New	195 0
Sassoon Silk (3)	77 8
New Union Mills (0-8)	13 1
Madhusudan B (2-8)	47 0
Srinivas Mills (S)	178 12
Raja Bahadur Poona (4)	100 0
Berar Mills	305 0
Victoria Mills	225 0
Colaba Land Coupon	42 0
New Great New	142 0
ELECTRIC SHARES	
Tata Hydro (4-4-0)	158 8
Andhra Valley (45)	1450 0
Tata Power (50)	1547 8
Ahmedabad Electric (1-8)	116 4
Ahmedabad New	12 8
Surat Electricity (2-8)	145 0
Karachi Electric (2)	132 8
Broach (0-5)	10 12
Ajmer Electricity (0-8)	10 2
Amalgamated (0-12)	12 2
Nagpur Electricity (1-12)	26 8
Poona Electric Supply (S)	151 4
Bombay Suburban (3)	145 0
Bombay Suburban New (2)	131 4
BANK SHARES	
Reserve Bank (2-12)	113 8
Imperial Bank of India (35)	1762 8
Imperial Bank of India (8-12)	430 0
Central Bank Old (1-8)	86 8
Central Bank New (1-8)	84 8
Bank of India (4) XR	191 0
Union Bank of India (0-5)	8 9
Bank of Baroda	149 8
Habib Bank (4)	158 0
Devkaran Nanjee Bank (1-8)	52 0
United Commercial (1-8)	62 4
Hindustan Commercial	46 12
Jaipur Bank (176)	37 0
Mysore Bank (8)	365 0
Exchange Bank (1-8)	29 8
Eastern Bank (0-14-6)	105 0
INSURANCE	
Oriental (125) XD	4700 0
Empire (10)	575 0
New India (1-8)	62 0
Jupiter (1-4)	22 4
Vulcan (0-10)	13 2
Indian Mercantile (2)	39 8
Universal (0-4)	11 4
B I G (1)	19 0
Industrial and Prudential	29 8
Neptune Assurance	7 0
New Great	35 0
All India General	19 2
RAILWAY SHARES	
Central Provinces (1-14)	110 0
Pachora Jamner Rly (2-8)	118 4
MISCELLANEOUS SHARES	
Bombay Steamer (1)	430 0
Bombay Burma New (5)	126 4
Burma Petrol	1 9 9
Mackenzie (6)	92 4
Port Canning (3)	70 0
Kemp and Co (30)	442 8
Kemp and Co (New)	462 8
Zandu Pharmacy (7)	150 0
Industrial Invest Trust (4)	91 0
Dharamsey Chemical (2)	32 8
Mukund Iron	10 0
Dena Trust (0-12)	21 0
Associated Cement New (1-4)	147 0
Supreme India XR	123 12
Jam Wire (6)	67 8
Bombay Uganda	69 0
Bombay Motor Cycle	39 8
Indian Cement (1937)	25 0
Walchand Nagar Industries (B.S.)	153 12
United Motor	74 0
Associated Cement New (1-4)	146 8
Bombay Safe Deposit (27)	1002 8
Hydary Construction	19 10
Mahmadi Steam	95 0
Gujarat Motor	20 0
Sardar Carbonic XD	750 0
Harvey Press	310 0
Estrela Batteries	50 0
Prince of Wales Press	615 0
Manmad Press	120 0
PREFERENCE SHARES	
Tata Steel 1st (6)	190 0
Andhra Valley (7)	1250 0
Tata Power (7-8)	1345 0
Hydro Electric (7)	127 8
Bombay Steamer (6)	313 12
Central India (5)	632 8
Swadeshi Mills	128 12
Vishnu Mills (7)	632 8
Lakshmi Mills	277 8
New Great Mills (5-8)	227 8
Podar Mills (4)	108 0
Shrinivas Mills	98 0
Elphinstone Mills (7)	117 8
Bradbury Mills (7-8)	333 12
Surat Electricity (3-4)	140 0
Premier Construction 1st (6 1/4)	120 0
Premier Construction 2nd (6-4)	120 0
Amalgamated (5-8)	123 2
Habib	72 0
Tata Chemical (5)	135 0
Walchand Nagar Indus (7)	160 0
Jupiter General	19 14
Supreme	100 0
Meyer	121 4
Mackenzie 1st	85 0
Mackenzie 2nd	80 0
Ahmedabad Advance	132 8
Mysore Mills	50 0
Standard Mills	101 0
Madhusudan Mills	12 0
Khatau Mills	106 0
Morarji	111 0
DEBENTURES	
Andhra 1952 (4)	103 8
Bombay Steamer (1959) (4-8)	107 0
Indian Hume Pipe (6)	106 0
Tata Power 1951	103 0
Walchand Nagar (6)	112 0
OUTSIDE SHARES	
India Copper (1-9)	2 6
British India Corp (0-10) CR	8 2
Burma Corporation	3 5 6
New Victoria Mill	3 0
New Victoria Pref.	5 2
Phalton Sugar (8)	119 0
Gogo Mohur (20)	320 0
New Kaiser-I-Hind	400 0
Sajjan Mills (20)	202 8
Osmanshahi Mills (10)	280 0
Azam Jahi Mills (10)	330 0
Air Service XR	8 12
Ambica Air Lines	11 0
Air India (100)	118 12
Hind Motor	5 15
India Steam	10 2

BOMBAY COTTON

BOMBAY, Dec. 8.

The cotton market again firmed up today under renewed support from professional operators. Yesterday's reaction could not proceed further owing to scarcity of paper contracts.

The market opened as expected at Rs. 606-8 for February delivery and steadily moved up at Rs. 608-8. Small realizing sales were readily absorbed.

Later on there was scattered realising and February was quoted at Rs. 607/8. Later on the market was dull and final closing quotations at 4-30 p.m. were as under.

I.C.C. February	607 4 0
I.C.C. May	600 12 0
I.C.C. July	604 12 0
I.C.C. September	605 4 0

INDIAN COTTON PARITY

BOMBAY, Dec. 8.

Indian Cotton February contract is 893 cents below New York March at Exchange rate 331

HIGH AND LOW COTTON PRICES

BOMBAY, Dec. 7.

Feb. Highest 607-3/4 Lowest 605-1/2 Closing at 4-30 p m 606-1/2

May Highest 601 Lowest 599 Closing at 4-30 p m 600

July Highest 605 Lowest 603 Closing at 4-30 p m 604

Sept. Highest 605-1/2 Lowest 603-1/2 Closing at 4-30 p m 604-1/2

Demand was moderate in the ready market at Sewri.

2nd Pref. 136/4	
December	47.25+35

ALEXANDRIA COTTON

ALEXANDRIA, Dec. 7

KARNAK	
January	79.56+231
March	79.60+216
ASHMOUNI	
December	47.25+35
February	47.28+38

Calicut Market

CALICUT Dec. 8:

Coiryarn Beypore 145/152; Quilandy 153/165, Fibre Garbled 110; Ungarbled 100; Cocoanuts Raw 130/135; Dry 130; Cocoanut oil 590; Copra Office 400; Dilpasand 410; Madras Nottam 425; Pepper Wynaad 1400; Country 1395. Dry Ginger Chernad 450, Ernad 400; Coffee Robusta 142/8, Timber Pali 70/80 Junglewood 30/37; Vellapine 70/76; Benteak 40/52/8; Teak 75/125; Mango 3/8/4; Teak 12/25, Rosewood 10/20; Ct. Timber Pail 70/860

GOVERNMENT LOANS

BOMBAY, Dec. 8.

2 1/4 per cent 1954	98 12
2 1/4 per cent 1950	100 14
2 1/2 per cent 1955	100 0
2 1/2 per cent 1961	97 0
2 3/4 per cent 1960	99 13
2 3/4 per cent 1962	99 14
2 3/4 per cent 1976	98 0
3 per cent Non-Terminable	99 8
3 per cent 1986 Con.	99 5
3 per cent 1949-52	100 10
3 per cent 1951-54	101 9
3 per cent 1953-55	101 9
3 per cent 1954	101 8
3 per cent. 1959-61	100 13
3 per cent 1963-65	100 5
3 per cent 1966-68	100 0
3 per cent 1970-75	100 0
3 1/2 per cent 1954-59	105 8
4 per cent 1948-53	109 4
4 per cent 1960-70	110 12
4 1/2 per cent 1950-55	104 4
4 1/2 per cent 1955-60	112 2
4 1/2 per cent 1958-68	115 12
PROVINCIAL LOANS	
2 3/4 per cent U P 1961	98 4
2 3/4 per cent Madras 1961	98 4
3 per cent Punjab 1948	98 14
3 per cent Bombay 1955	101 2
3 per cent Bombay 1958	101 4
3 per cent Madras 1952-58	100 8
3 per cent U P 1952	100 6
3 per cent C P 1952	100 6
3 per cent N W P 1952	99 10
3 per cent U P 1961-66	100 2
4 per cent Bombay Municipality D	111 0
5 per cent Bom Muni 1959	115 0
6 per cent Bom Muni 1954	116
6 1/4 per cent Municipality 1977	101 0
6 K P I	114 0

INDIAN STOCK EXCHANGE

BOMBAY, Dec. 8.

Tata Ordinary 297/8 Tata Deferred 1626/4 Indian Iron 24/4 Steel Corpn. of Bengal 20/4 Bombay Dyeing 1026/4 Central India 258/12 Gokak 281/14 Kohinoor 291/14 Simplex 184/8 Swadeshi 294/6 Tata Power 1547/8 Associated Cement 155/8 Belapur 246/4 Bombay Burma (Old) 341/14 Scindia 21/4/6 Central Bank 86/8 New India 62 Tata 2nd Pref. 135.

Record Of Actual Transactions In Shares

BOMBAY, Wednesday.

MILLS

A. Advance 273/12
Apollo 3-2 3-3 3-2-6
Bharat 34-4
Bharucha 5
B. Dyeing 1030 31-4 22-8 28-12 25 26-4
Bradbury Pref. 333-12
Bradbury ord. 587-8
C. India 259 57-8 59 58
E. Textiles 235
Elphinstone ord. 70 70-8
Elphinstone pref. 117-8
Finlay 281 82 81
Gokak 282 81-8 82 81
I. U. Defd. 1-10-6 1-11 1-10-3
I.U. Ord. 12-2 12-0-6 12-1-6 12-1
Indore 195 97-8 96-4
Kohinoor 291 94 93 93-8 91-8
Laxmi 630
Madhavji 15
Meyer 135
Model 198-2 98-12
Minerva 130
Morarji 507-8
New Great 165 62 69 64 65
Podar 165
Sassoon Cotton 11-4
Shrinivas 178-12
Simplex 187 85 85-8 84-8
Swadesh 296 97 94 97 95-8 97 94-8
Swan 335
Tata Mill 63-8 63-4 64 63-8
Vishnu 231-4 30

BANKS

Baroda 149/8
Central 87, 86/8
Central New 85, 84/8
Imperial Old 1762-8, 65, 62-8
Imperial New 432-8
India 191
Exchange 29/8
Union 8-9
U. Co. 62, 62/4

ELEC. COS.

Ahmedabad 116/4
Andhra 1450
Suburban 146-4 45
Surat 145
Tata Hydro 157/4, 59, 58/8
Tata Hydro Pref. 127/8
Tata Power 1550, 47/8

INSURANCE

B. I. G. 19
New India 63/4 62

STEAMER

B. Steam 425, 30
Scindia 21-8, 21-10, 21-6-6 21-8-6, 21/6, 21/7, 21/4/6

STEEL

B. Steel 20/5 20/8, 20/4, 20/5, 20/4, 20/5, 20/4
I. Iron 24-4, 24-7, 24-4, 24-3, 24-4, 24-4, 24/5 24/4.
Tata Defd. 1632/8, 37/8, 21/4, 35, 27/8, 32/8, 22/8, 26/4
Tata Ord. 300, 1, 297-8, 298-3 98, 98-8, 97-8
I Pref. 191/4, 90
II Pref. 135/12, 35/4
Alcock, 301/4, 2/8, 300
A. C. C. 157, 56, 56-8, 55-4, 55-8
A. C. C. New 147
Belapur 248, 47, 48, 46
B. B. Old 352/8, 41/14
B. B. New 126/4
B. B. Petrol 1/9/9
Dharamsey 32/8
I. Bleaching 160
I. I. Trust 91
Port Canning 70
P. Const. 158/8, 55, 57, 53/8, 54
Shivrajpur 32
Chemical 13/13, 13/10
Chemical Pref. 135
Tata Oil 57/8, 56/12
Wimco 280, 77/8, 78/12

SPECIAL

Belapur Coupon 60, 61
Indore Coupon 97, 96, 97
Kamani Eng. 4
Jaipur Bank 37

GOLD & SILVER

BOMBAY, December 8.

The local bullion market opened steady today Price movements were confined to a narrow range due to restricted turnover.

Forward Silver opened at Rs. 176/9 and moved within a range of annas 2 and steadied at Rs. 176/8. Ready Silver was done at a premium of Rs. 1/4 at Rs. 177/12.

Gold was also quiet at Rs. 113/3 after improving at Rs. 113/4. Ready Gold was quoted at Rs 113/15 while Sovereigns were placed at Rs. 75/2. Later on there was small buying in Silver and was quoted at Rs. 177/2. At this level there was small realizing and Silver was done at Rs. 177. Gold was steady with restricted turnover. Final quotations were as under:—

Forward Silver	177 0 0
Ready Silver	177 12 0
Forward Gold	113 4 0
Ready Gold	114 0 0
Sovereigns	75 0 0

PRODUCE MARKET

BOMBAY, December 8.

The local produce market after steady opening improved on renewed buying and short covering.

Castorseeds May delivery opened at Rs 132 4 and steadily improved to Rs. 132/14 on bull support and bear covering Prices were steady at this level. Later on there was small realizing and the market was steady at Rs. 132-10-0.

Groundnuts and Linseed were steady with moderate business passing.

Quotations were as under:

Khandesh quality	34 14 0
Coromandal	33 12 0
Bold ready	33 8 0
Bold Dec.-Jan.	33 2 0
Bold Feb.-March	33 4 0
CASTORSEEDS—	
Ready	29 4 0
May delivery	132 10 0
LINSEEDS—	
Ready	27 10 0
Nov-Dec delivery	27 11 0
Feb.-March	27 7 0
GROUNDNUT OILS—	
Ready Mills	19 12 0
December	19 10 0
January	19 2 0
February	19 2 0
Linseed Oil	16 12 0
Castorseed Oil first pressing	19 0 0
Castorseed Oil Commercial quality	17 8 0
Gingelly seed	225 to 230

WALL STREET MARKET IRREGULAR

Good Earning Reports Against Tax Selling

NEW YORK, Dec. 7.—Stock moved irregularly in a moderately active trading on the New York Stock Exchange today.

Despite the irregularity displayed in the market, radio and radio equipment issues as a group were the bright spot. Otherwise, the changes throughout the main list were mostly fractional.

There was nothing in the news to influence the market and traders were cautious pending further developments on the European and Chinese situations.

On the favourable side was the continued number of good earning reports. However, a continued selling for tax purposes overshadowed all favourable developments.

The stock sales amounted to 1,140,000 shares. Curb sales amounted to 240,000 shares and the turn over in bonds came to $3,641,000.

The Dow Jones average closing included: Industrials, 176.67; rails, 53.68; utilities, 32.91 and bonds 98.33.

The closing prices included:

Abbot Laboratories	68
Allied Chemicals	177 1/2
American Can	82
American Radiator	14 1/8
American Smelting	53 1/8
American Sugar	38 1/2
American Telephone	151 1/2
American Tobacco	63
Anaconda Copper	33 7/8
Bankers Trust	38 1/4
Bethlehem Steel	33 7/8
Boeing Plant	21 1/8
Canadian Pacific	13 3/8
Celanese	31 5/8
Chase National Bank	33 1/8
Chrysler	53 1/4
Consolidated Edison	22
Coty	3 1/2
Douglas Aircraft	50
Dupont	171
Eastman Kodak	43 7/8
Firestone Tire & Rubber	45 3/8
General Electric	39
General Motors	57 3/4
Gillette	33 1/2
Goodyear	41 7/8
International Nickel	30
International Tel. & Tel	9 1/2
Lockheed	17 1/4
Nash Kelvinator	16
National City Bank	36 1/4
New York Central	13 1/4
Pennsylvanian Railroad	17 1/8
Shell Oil	37 5/8
Southern Pacific	50 7/8
Standard Oil of New Jersey	73 5/8
Studebaker	21
Swift & Co.	29 3/4
Twentieth Century Fox	18 5/8
U.S. Steel	72
Warner Brothers	9 3/4
Westinghouse Electric	25 3/4
Brazilian Traction	..
Technicolor	10 3/4

Sugar Prices

BOMBAY, Dec. 8.

	Rs.	as.	p.
Small	97	0	0
Medium	104	0	0
Big	111	0	0
Extra Big	114	0	0
Dec. Old Crop			
Dec. New Crop			
Jan. Old Crop	31	6	0
Jan. New Crop			
March	31	1	0
Arrivals Bags			
Despatches Bags Approx			
Total Stock Bags Approx			

Hessian Market

BOMBAY, Dec. 8.

	Pics.
45X11	
Ready	112-1/4
Oct.-Dec.	113-1/4
Jan.-March	115
D. W. 40X28.	
Ready	131 0 0
Oct.-Dec.	127 0 0
Jan.-March	123 8 0

Shipping News

IMPORTS

BOMBAY, December 8.

S. S. STAR OF LUXOR

From Alexandra: 19,503 bales cotton.

s.s. KALEWA

From Philadelphia: 520 drums diesel fuel oil. 200 drums lubricating oil.

From New York: 25 ctns. nitrate sheets, 129 drums petroleum, 100 cases aluminium circles, 60 cases motor truck chassis, 300 drums beach aircraft polish 179 ctns. books 40 crates greese tools, 36 drums clearing compounds 94 cases natural essential oil, 2,048 drums lubricating oil, 35 cases auto storage batteries, 43 boxes stoveware parts, 44 ctns tinplates, 120 ctns. brake fluid, 167 ctns lubricating grease, 199 packages painting materials.

S. S. CHIOGIA

From Trieste: 145 bales newsprint paper 182 bales writing paper 350 bales sulphite kraft paper 61 drums ultramarine 101 bales ladger paper 35 bales ledger kraft paper 431 bales newsprint paper. 75 cases motor cycles.

From Venice: 1,850 bage marble chips.

From Naples: 11,834 baskets potatoes, 60 cases fresh chestnuts.

From Port Said: 5,800 cases figs.

From Port Sudan: 787 bags gum hushap.

EXPORTS

GOODS ENTERED FOR EXPORT:

S. S. KAMPALA

To Mombasa: 8 cases perfumed hair oil and 6 cases glass mirrors—S. Amrutlal & Bros.

To Beira: 15 cases glassware—Pandya & Co

S. S. VALHALL

To Karachi: 25 jottas slate pen and 50 bundles slates—Gujrat Slate Co.

S. S. ISLAMI

To Jeddah: 100 bundles cassia—H. Adeali.

6 bags corriander powder G. Rasul & Co.

To Port Sudan: 200 packages cassia—Ranchhodasbhai.

S. S. CITY OF DENMARK

To Manchester: 250 bales cotton waste—L. O. Vora.

S. S. STAR OF BETELGLUSE

To Shanghai: 300 bales cotton waste—C. M. Karanjia & Co.

S. S. FYING CLOUD

To New York: 200 bundles cotton waste L. O. Vora.

S. S. CITY OF DUNKIRK

To Liverpool: 38 drums magnesium chloride—S. Products Corporation.

Arrivals And Departures Of Steamers

BOMBAY, December 8.

ARRIVALS

NARICA arrived from Dunedin, Switzerland on December 7 (Killick).

GOVERNOR COMER arrived from Tacoma, Washington, with 9,000 tons of wheat (L. Edwards).

RANCHI arrived from Sydney on December 7 with 5,000 tons of general cargo (M.M.).

FLYING CLIPPER arrived from New York on December 8 with 4393 tons of general cargo (Shaw Wallace & Co.).

OOSTACAPPELLE arrived from Cochin with 335 tons of general cargo on December 8 (Merchant Steam).

DEPARTURES

JALA JAWAHAR sailed for Karachi on December 7 with 1,200 tons of general cargo.

SHAROKH sailed for Hongkong on December 7.

RANCHI sailed for London on December 7 with 4,000 tons of wool, hides and tinned food.

NEW YORK COTTON PRICES WOBBLE

Half-Hearted Attempt Towards Rally

NEW YORK, Dec. 7.

Cotton prices wobbled after half-hearted early attempts toward rally giving ground laterly under increased technical realizing plus scattered hedge offerings on the New York Stock Exchange to-day.

Technicians who thought the market "looked tired" after the recent sharp advance, were leaning more to the idea of penetrating to the 32 1/2 cent mark at least temporarily and discounted the bullish sentiment recently generated by countiful export prospects.

A cautious attitude assumed on the foreign business pending actual development of buying from that direction. A lurking feeling became apparent that the current levels might prove attractive to increased Southern selling, particularly if the market showed any inclination to slide off very far from the current prices. Price considerations have cooled off the recent bullish sentiment. Nevertheless, sellers wary about pressing offerings too hard.

Some quarters opined the year-end tax considerations will prove deterrent to play a large-scale producer selling movement until after the New Year.

The market opened four to seven higher. An investment buying bolstered new crop positions in the forenoon but nearby months came under gradual pressure realizing and light hedge offerings.

A final spur of selling found an unaggressive trade demand, closing the market around the day's lowest and off 13 to 17 points.

NEW YORK COTTON

NEW YORK Dec. 7.

December	32.29—20
March	32.31—15
March Highest	32.47+01
March Lowest	32.31—15
May	32.13—17
July	31.54—15
October	29.12—13
Middling Spot	32.87—15

NEW ORLEANS COTTON

NEW YORK Dec. 7.

December	32.19—17
March	32.36—05
May	31.18—05
July	31.55—08
Middling Spot	32.00—10

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

LONDON, Dec. 7.

	£
Consols 2-1/2 p c	79-3/16
Conversion Loan 3-1/2 p c 1961	106-1/4
Funding Loan 4 p c 1960/90	114
War Loan 3-1/2 p c 1952 and after	103-5/16
Hongkong and Shanghi Bank	99-1/2
London Reg.	36
National Bank of India	

Transactions on the London Stock Exchange are officially placed at 5.866

LONDON EXCHANGES

LONDON, Dec. 7.

	SELLING	BUYING
New York	4.0275	4.0325
Montreal	4.0275	4.0325
Zurich	17.34	17.36
Stockholm	14.47 to 14.50	

NEW YORK SILVER

NEW YORK, Dec. 7.

U. S. price of Foreign Silver 70 cents.

LONDON BULLION.

LONDON, Dec. 7.

Silver Spot 42-1/2 d., Forward 42-1/2 d. Gold Bars Fine per oz. £8/12/3.

CHICAGO WHEAT REACTS AFTER EARLY IMPROVEMENT

CHICAGO, Dec. 7.

Prices rallied early on buying in wheat credited to flour mills following reports that the production and marketing administration has re-entered the Pacific coast export flour market and expectations that the agency will request offers for eastcoast shipment later this week. The advance attracted increased hedging and profit-taking and all gains were reduced or erased

CHICAGO WHEAT

CHICAGO Dec. 7.

December	2.40-1/2
May	2.30-1/2
July	2.13-1/2
September	2.12

z LONDON WHEAT

LONDON, Dec. 7.

Australian Wheat FOB (Bulk) 99/3 Dec/Jany quoted

DIVIDENDS DECLARED

KESAR SUGAR WORKS LTD.

The Directors of the above company have recommended to pay the following dividends:—

On each Pref share 5-1/2 per cent (with tax).

On each Rs. 100 Ord. share Rs. 4/12 (net).

On each Rs. 50 Ord. share Rs 2/6 (net).

Interest will be paid from 17-1-49.

Books closed from 14-12-48 to 29-12-48.

JALGAON ELECTRIC SUPPLY CO. LTD.

The Directors of the above company have recommended to pay the following dividends:—

On each Pref. share 5-1/2 per cent

On each Ord. share Re. 0-10-0.

Dividends will be paid from 30-12-48 and transfer books of the company closed from 16-12-48 to 29-12-48.

KAMANI ENGINEERING CORP LTD.

The Directors of the above Corporation have recommended to pay a dividend of 5-1/2 per cent with tax on each cumulative preference share and interest will be paid from 21-1-49.

Sales Of Treasury Bills

Government of India Treasury Deposit Receipts of the value of Rs. 34,75,000

NO GOING BACK ON PROHIBITION POLICY

Bill In Making, Announces Patil: Welfare Centres To Aid Programme

AHMEDABAD, Dec. 8 (A.P.I.): A Prohibition Bill with powers to deal stringently with illicit trade in liquor is being prepared by the Government of Bombay. This was revealed by Mr. L. M. Patil, Minister of Excise and Reconstruction, Bombay, opening ten nira centres in the city and addressing a joint meeting of the city and district prohibition commitees this morning.

He said: "There can be no going back on the policy of prohibition adopted by the Government of Bombay despite the directive from the Government of India to curtail expenditure. There would be a change in the reconstruction programme, but ther would be no change in the prohibition programme, which had the full support of the people except for goondas who carry on illicit distillation

NIRA CENTRES

Continuing Mr. Patil said: "I am both Prohibition Minister as well as Excise Minister. I have to carry out the policy of prohibition within four years. The number of liquor shops is being reduced every year, though it is bad to prepare and sell liquor. The habit of liquor cannot be given up at once. The prohibition programme will be carried out by opening nira centres and welfare centres during the fixed period, after which not a drop of liquor will be seen."

Referring to nira centres Mr. Patil said nira was a delicious and healthgiving drink. Sugar, icecream and sweets could be prepared out of it. The Government of Bombay had offered a prize of rupees ten thousand for a formula to preserve nira in its original conditions. The addition of lime stopped its deterioration but reduced its vitamins. It was, however, far superior to soda, lemon and other drinks and could be taken when there was a shortage of food.

IN INTEREST OF PEOPLE

Referring to the new Prohibition Bill Mr. Patil said: "Even the drinking of liquor will be penalised, and incorrigible distillers will either be detained or externed. The offences under the new bill will be cognizable and non-bailable. This will be an attack on civil liberties, but it will be in the interest of the people. Moral degradation of free people cannot be allowed. The prohibition Bill provides for a medical board to advise Government on the control of medicines containing spirits."

Concluding Mr. Patil said: "The positive aspect of the policy of prohibition is propaganda for which every district will be provided with a van. The co-operative society in every village will be called upon to open a welfare centre, and in cities canteens and swimming baths will be run besides welfare centres."

Mr. Krishnada Shah, nira expert of the Government of Bombay said that Mahatma Gandhi conducted experiments in Sevagram and advised nira to be taken daily, if a suitable preservative was found as desired by the Government of Bombay, nira would be supplied in every house. A training centre had been opened in Sholapur for training supervisors to run nira shops. There was great demand for opening nira shops in Karnatak and other places.

New Hostel For Elphinstone College

Mr. B. G. Kher, Premier, laying the foundation stone of the new Building of the Elphinstone College Hostel at Marine Drive on Wednesday.

NEW NINE-LAKH HOSTEL FOR ELPHINSTONIANS

Bombay Premier Lays Foundation Stone

BOMBAY, Wednesday: The present craze for University degrees without an adequate realisation of the true purpose of higher education was denounced by Mr. B. G. Kher, Premier of Bombay, as 'harmful and purposeless," when he laid the foundation stone of a new Rs. 9-lakh hostel for the students of the Elphinstone College this evening.

The five-storeyed hostel, planned to accommodate 120 students and furnished with many facilities for encouraging corporate life amongst the students, will rise on Plot. 44, C Road, Marine Drive. While students of the Elphinstone College and the Royal Institute of Science will be given preference in the matter of admission to the hostel as residents, a certain number of its 100 odd rooms will be set apart for the use of Law College and Secondary Training College students.

Mr. K. R. Gunjikar, Principal of the Elphinstone College, made a plea for the construction of more hostels for use by students, many of whom were now lacking adequate residential facilities.

In a 30-minute address, the Premier emphasised the need for developing a corporate life among students. It helped to create personal contacts amongst them and facilitated the pursuit of profitable intellectual discussions "making academic life a true adventure."

Mr. Kher asked students to understand the real aim of education which was the development of the human personality and not the accumulation of material wealth.

"It is the personal contact between the teacher and the taught and also between students themselves, especially outside the regular college hours, that is the essence of true University education. It is only in hostels, where a large number of students have to live together, that such intimate contact can be developed," he said.

33 PER CENT CUT IN CENTRAL EXPENDITURE

Education Ministry Called Upon To Fall In Line

(From Our Correspondent)

NEW DELHI, (By Air Mail)

The Priority Committee of the Cabinet in a meeting held here, reiterated its earlier decision to have an overall cut of 33 1/3 p.c. in development expenditure charged to both, capital and revenue and called upon the Education Ministry to fall into line with the decision.

As reported earlier the issue arose over the refusal of the Education Ministry to cut down its development expenditure. One member of the Cabinet is believed to have asserted that there is no need for separate Education and Health Ministries and that both should be amalgamated. The question will now be referred to the Cabinet for final decision. On the Cabinet will also depend the issue whether it is really serious to meet the challenge of inflation. For the revolt of the Education Ministry is bound to have repercussions which would endanger the whole scheme of anti-inflation, recently announced by the Government.

Martandeshwar Festival

EX-JUDGE AND VAIDYA TO CALL MUSICAL CONFERENCE IN BOMBAY PRESIDENCY

Vaid Malhar Gopal Nandanikar is well-known in the city and suburbs, as a friend of the poor, as he treats the poor patients free of charge. Every year he celebrates Malhari Martandeshwar Festival. This year it was held at the Jinnah Hall, Congress House, on the 4th and 5th inst. when an elaborate programme of Indian music, dances and lectures was gone through. There was also a small stage performance on the 5th, when Mr. D. N. Dastur spoke and eulogised the services of Vaid Nandanikar.

Mr. Champaklal Mody, ex-Judge of the Court of Small Causes Bombay, then thanked the Vaid for celebrating the Festival, pointing out that there was no conference of Indian music in Bombay Presidency as was the case in other presidencies. He informed the house that, in co-operation with Vaid Nandanikar he had arranged for holding such conference next year, and the Vaidraj would work as its honorary secretary. Mr. Mody dwelt on the importance of holding such festivals. The Vaidraj then thanked Mr. Mody. Medals were than presented to the musicians, and dancers.

LINK-UP OF POONCH FROM RAJAURI

The link-up of the besieged town of Poonch after a 45 miles thrust from Rajauri on November 20 through difficult country will go down in the history of mountain warfare as one of the outstanding achievements of the Indian Army. Men of the Jammu and Kashmir State Forces who shared with the Indian Army Troops in the honour of defending Poonch throughout the long and trying time of all-out offensives by the hostiles, are seen guarding a hill feature "Shalotri" outside Poonch during the link-up operation.

NETHERLANDS WALKS OUT OF E.C.A.F.E. IN PROTEST

Sequel To Vote To Admit Indonesia As Associate Member

LAPSTONE (New South Wales) Dec. 8 (Reuter)—The Netherland today walked out of the United Natiions Economic Commission for Asia and the Far-East (ECAFE) conference here after I ndonesia had been admitted to associate membership.

The Indonesian Republic had been admitted by a vote of eight for, two against, with three abstentions.

The leader of the Netherlands delegation Dr. H. C.J.H. Gelissen, had already said "if Indonesia is admitted I will lead my delegation out from the current session of the Commission."

Indonesia's admission, he said yesterday, would mean the Commission recognised the Republic as being responsible for the international relations of Indonesia.

This was the first major walk-out of the Conference.

The United States and the Netherlands opposed the admission of Indonesia.

Brigadier Hunt (New Zealand) said both the Netherlands and the Republican Government should be admitted to associate membership because negotiations between the two seemed unlikely to lead to a settlement at present.

Supporting the admission of the Republic Mr. Hamidul Huq (Pakistan) said that the Netherlands government had recognised the existence of the Republic of Indonesia as the organised government body for the purpose of negotiation an this fact showed the Republic had received 'de facto' recognition.

Dr. Gelissen said a separate membership for the Indonesian Republic would mean "economic dismemberment of a region which is politically united.

"My government thinks this is undesirable and cannot accept any decision which conflicts with this view."

M.H.C. Maux (France) said he felt that to admit Indonesia would "break the harmony of the Commission" and would infringe an international agreement signed under United Nations auspices.

The Soviet delegate M. K. V. Novikov declared the question should be solved by the countries of the region and not by colonial powers such as the United States. The Netherlands did not reflect the opinions of the people of the Republic.

Mr. C. C. Desai (India) "if other colonial powers had followed the example of Britain in granting independence to India, Pakistan and Burma, conditions in the pacific would be much better for all concerned."

"What right has the Netherlands government with a population of nine to ten millions, which enjoys full membership of his Commission, to deny the right of associate membership to a government representing 23 millions", Mr. Desai asked. "The Indonesian Republic is still anxious that the application should be discussed at the present session and we should not quibble any longer."

Dr. H. C. Coombs (Australia) said postponement of Indonesia's application would imply flat rejection. Australia felt the Commission would be incomplete while a larger area remained outside its orbit.

Mr. M. Cowan (United States) regretted that in attempts he had made with Australia to find a compromise solution, he had not been able to find one satisfactory to both sids.

In a farewell statement, Dr. Gelissen said "I have warned this Commission several times that by voting for the admission the republic the Commission was exceeding its competence.

"Now that has happened the Netherlands Government cannot accept the consequences. The decision means that 47,000,000 Indonesians leave the session and 23,000,000 come in.

"The Nethrlands Government cannot accept this ruling of the Commission and . I and my collegues must withdraw from further participation."

U.P.A. adds:—

The Netherlands delegation, preparing to leave immediately, was not prepared to say whether their withdrawal from the present session would mean that the Netherlands will withdraw entirely from the ECAFE.

Gelisson said that was a question of policy which will only be decided by his Government.

"RECOGNISE THE REPUBLIC"

The first meeting of the Indonesia League of India was hold at Brady House on Wednesday evening under the Chairmanship of Professor G. M. Moraes of the Bombay University. Mrs. Mithan Lam, and Dr. A. H. Kazi were among those who attended the meeting. The meeting passed a resolution urging the UNO to recognise the Republic of Indonesia and restore to her all her territories now held by the Dutch.

It further calls upon the Security Council to direct the armed forces of the Netherlands to quit Indonesia forthwith and to demand the Dutch Government to come to a speedy settlement with the Republic on the basis of complete independence and sovereignty of the people of the whole of Indonesia.

INTER-DOMINION AGREEMENT

Political Committee Move For Modification Of Some Clauses

NEW DELHI, Dec. 8 (A.P.I.): A press note issued by the Ministry of External Affairs and Commonwealth Relations says:

"The first meeting of the Political Committee met today at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 1 p.m. The terms of the Calcutta Agreement were reviewed and tentative agreements reached for the modification of sme of the clauses of the agreement. The Committee will meet again tomorrow morning, and it is hoped, to complete its deliberations tomorrow.

"The Economic Committee has already held two meetings and met again for the third time today. Similarly, the Stores Committee has met twice and will met again tomorrow. The Provincial Partition Matters Committee has been able to meet only once, and hopes to meet again tomorrow; during the intervening period, however representatives of the respective provincial governments have been discussing their problems among themselves and have been endeavouring to reach agreements on a number of the outstanding issues.

The Boundary Disputes and Border Incidents Commitee has also so far met once and may meet again tomorrow. The Evacuee's Property Committee has been meeting daily since the Inter-Dominion Conference began and is expected to meet again tomorrow.

"C. R." Does Not Know His Birthday!

NEW, DELHI, Dec. 8 (API): The Governor-General of India Mr. C. Rajagopalachari completes 69 years today. An API correspondent who went to the Government House today to inquire about the birthday has an interview with His Excellency. This is what Mr. Rajagopalachari has to say on his "birthday."

"My birth must have taken place on some day or other in the year and so I must have a birth day in 1948. Unfortunately, my father who knew how to cast horoscopes had so confidence in himself that he mislaid my Horoscope and my birthday could not be settled when he tried to get me married towards the end of the 19th century. Enquiry among aunts and uncles produced some kind of data which were found to be self-contradictory and rejected. So I am in the position of the peasants of my district who generally do not know their date of birth. This is one of the reasons why I asked my enthusiastic friends in Madras to drop the idea of celebrating my birthday this year for one does not feel exhilarated when all the time one is conscious the date is wrong. But one day is as good as another and having received the felicitations of many friends today I almost feel as if today was my birthday. I think it would be a good thing to reserve birthday celebrations for children to whom really birth is an interesting mystery. As for men of my age, work matters and not a date in the calendar."

Iran Princess On Air

NEW DELHI, Dec. 8 (API): H.R.H Princess Ashraf of Iran will broadcast a talk in Persian tomorrow Thursday, Dec. 9, at 10-30 p.m. in the External Services of the air.

HINDU MAHASABHA COMMITTEE SESSION

NEW DELHI, Dec. 8, (API): A meeting of the All-India Committee of the Hindu Mahasabha will be held on December 25th and 26th at the Hindu Mahasabha Bhawan to discuss the Hindu Mahasabha policy and programme.

MODERN HEALTH HOME LIFTERS' POOR SHOW

BOMBAY, Wednesday

To perpetuate the memory of Mr. T. V. Naravan the founder of the Modern Health Home, Matunga, the Bombay Presidency Weight Lifters Association conducted the first weight lifting competition in all classes on Sunday the 5th Dec. 1948. Attractive uniform trophies six in all at an enormous cost were offered to the competing candidates. Hoping against hope the Secretary and Members and no doubt the competitors from the Modern Health Home were so optimistic to snatch the prizes but it proved otherwise. The students of the institution the founder of whose memory the competition was held gave a poor show, snatching only the first prize in feather-weight class by K. Hariharan and the uncontested first prize in Heavy Weight class by A. K. Bannerji. M. G. Vaidyalingam in Lightweight class and H. V. Thakkar in Middle weight class both of the Modern Health Home got the second prizes.

Dr. K. S. Mhaskar presided over the function, and distributing the prizes spoke a few words on the advantages of weight lifting from the medical point of view. He insisted on the importance of periodical medical examination of all lifters to check the internal organs proper functioning.

Veteran lifters namely J. D. Telang, K. Hariharan V. N. Phenany, J. D. Pendharkar and M. P. Ghule broke the previous records in their respective classes. In the competition were 24 from Bombay and 2 from Poona.

Three first and two second prizes were snatched by members of the Sawe's Institute of Physical culture the Bombay Weight Lifters Assn. got one first and one second prize.

BANTAM WEIGHT

V. W. Phenany (Sawe) 515 lbs. 1.
R. S. Desai (Sawe) 485 lbs. 2.

FEATHER WEIGHT

K. Hariharan (M.H.H.) 545 lbs. 1.
D. S. Dandekar (Sawe) 505 lbs. 2.

LIGHT WEIGHT

C. N. Gujerati (B.P.W.L.A.) 540 lbs. 1
M. G. Vaidyalingam (M.H.H.) 495 lbs. 2.

MIDDLEWEIGHT

J. D. Telang (Sawe) 610 lbs. 1.
H. V. Thakkar (M.H.H.) 550 2.

LT. WEAVY

J. G. Pendharkar (Sawe) 605 lbs. 1.
M. G. Ghule (B.P.W.L.A.) 555 lbs. 2.

HEAVY WEIGHT

A. K. Bannerji (M.H.H.) 490 lbs. 1.

BRITAIN THREATENS ACTION AGAINST ISRAELI FORCES

Sequel To "Two Small Incursions" Into Transjordan Frontier

PARIS, Dec. 12 (Reuter): Britain today told the Security Council's "Sanctions Committee" that there had been "two small incursions" of Israeli forces over the Transjordan frontier and Britain might be obliged to "take action" under her treaty with Transjordan.

Mr. Harold Beeley, British representative, said information from British forces was that certain Jewish forces were advancing southwards from the Dead Sea and had reached points about halfway to the gulf of Aqaba.

REQUEST TO BUNCHE

He asked Dr. Ralph Bunche, Acting Palestine Mediator, whether there were any United Nations observers in that area and if not whether some could be sent.

Mr. Beeley added: "There is another particularly servious report we have received which is that there were two small Jewish incursions over the Transjordan frontier one of which was on November 29.

BRITISH AID TO ARAB ARMIES

TEL AVIV, Dec. 8 (Reuter): Allegations of British "aid to Arab armies were made in two official statements issued here within the past 24 hours.

Mr. David Ben Gurion said, "British-made guns, operated by gun crews, officered and instructed by Britons", had "poured shells into Jerusalem day and night without letup."

An Israeli communique said five Egyptian tanks knocked out near the Egyptian border, some ten miles southeast of Rafah were of British manufacture and a type not previously seen in the south of Palestine.

One United States observer Officer was killed and two seriously injured in a United Nations jeep which overturner when being driven to Jerusalem from Kalandia airport, United Nations observers reported.

NO SOVIET AID, SAYS SHERTOK

PARIS, Dec. 8 (UPA): Moshe Shertok, Israeli Foreign Minister, told Anglo-American newsmen today that "we are nearer peace in Palestine than ever since hostilities began."

Shertok denied reports that Israel had received arms from the Soviet Union.

Public Accounts Committee

NEW DELHI, Dec. 8 (UPI): The meetings of the Public Accounts Committee, originally fixed for December 9, 10 and 11, have postponed. The new dates will be announced later, says a Press-Note issued by the Ministry of Finance today.

FORMER ITALIAN COLONIES IN U.N.

General Assembly Rejects Proposal For Discussion

PARIS, Dec. 8, (Reuter): The United Nations General Assembly, by a vote of 31 against 11 with nine abstentions, rejected today a proposal to begin discussion on the disposal of the former Italian Colonies.

Despite a sold British-Russian line up in support of the question being opened at this session, the majority of the Latin American States, supported by the United States and most of the Arab bloc, voted against it.

The question of the colonies will therefore come up at the second half of the session beginning on April 1 at Lake Success.

MRS. PANDIT MEETS DR. DADOO

LONDON, Dec. 8, (Reuter): Mrs Vijaya Lakshmi Pandit, Leader of the Indian Delegation to the United Nations, who is in London on her way to India, today met Dr. Y. M. Dadoo, the South African Indian Congress leader.

Dr. Dadoo hoped to bring the South African racial question before the United Nations in Paris but he had been unable to get a French Visa since he arrived in Britain on October 8.

After today's interview Dr. Dadoo stated that the United Nations Assembly's decision to adjourn had "saved South Africa from severe condemnation".

As was expected, Mr. Eric Louw's stand and attitude at the United Nations "did more harm than good to the name of South Africa" he added.

There is no doubt that the Indian issue will receive priority over other questions when the United Nations Assembly meets in April, he said.

Mrs. Pandit has given me the unmistakeable impression that she and the Indian Delegation are looking with sober confidence to the outcome of the discussion at Lake Success".

Discussing his future plans, Dr. Dadoo said: "it will be necessary for me to stay in London until April at least to acquaint the British public and the rest of the world with the situation in South Africa.

"A large number of organisations, Trade Unions, Church bodies and others are becoming keenly interested, and there has been a growing demand for public meetings from various centres like Manchester, Birmingham and Glasgow.

"Whether I shall be able to stay or not will depend on the instructions which I receive from the South African Indian Congress which has been appraised of the plan"

Nehru At Dehra Dun

DEHRADUN, Dec. 8, (A. P. I.): Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru, Prime Minister of India, arrived here at 6 p.m., today, accompanied by his personal staff and high Military Officers.

He was cheered by enthusiastic crowds all along the route.

The Prime Minister will stay here for the night.

Textile Strike Threat In Nagpur

NAGPUR, Dec 8 (API): Mr. R. S. Ruikar, Nagpur labour leader and President of the Nagpur Textile Union, declared this evening at a press conference that a strike of textile workers at Nagpur and four other textile centres in the province "is definitely coming on December 15th."

The strike has been called on the issue of a three-month bonus to textile workers in the province and an assurance from the Government and the millowners for preparation of profit sharing scheme.

FOUR POLICEMEN KILLED

(From Our Correspondent)

AHMEDABAD, Dec. 8.

According to reports received from Dahod armed clash had occurred at Uri, a small village of Zabua state on the border of Dahod taluka in which four policemen have succumbed to injuries while 17 other policemen have been seriously wounded. It is alleged that clash had taken place due to the provocative propaganda among Khedut. Police reinforcements have been sent from Indore.

Khuhro Resigns Sind League Presidentship

KARACHI, Dec. 8 (API): Mr. Mohommad Ayub Khuhro, former Premier of Sind and newly elected President of the Sind Provincial Muslim League, today tenoered resignation of his office of the presidentship of the Provincial League.

Mr. Khuhro was elected President three days ago

Handing in his resignation to the General Secretary of the Sind Provincial Muslim League, Mr Khuhro in a statement said he has decided to stand aside until the report of the court of inquiry appointed to go into certain charges against him is known.

Mr. Khuhro also pleaded innocence of the charges leveiled against him and hoped that those who might have been prejudiced against him would appreciate that he had taken this step for the sake of "elevating the standards of political morality" in Pakistan.

Doon Express Runs Into Goods Train

CALCUTTA, Dec. 8, (API): The ten down Doon Express ran into the rear of a down goods train at Mankar station, 90 miles from Howrah, on the Burdwan-Asansol section of the East Indian Railway this morning at 3-28 a.m.

The guard of the goods train received serious injuries and was removed to hospital. Twenty-four third class passengers and two firemen of the Doon Express received very minor injuries and were discharged after being given first aid on the spot.

NEW DELHI, Dec. 8: The establishment of industrial show rooms at important ceutrism India, for the display of products utilising timber and other forest produce on a commercial scale, is engaging the attention of the Forest Research Institute, Dehra Dun.

Stop Press

48-HOUR ULTIMATUM TO JEWS AND ARABS

PARIS, Dec. 8, (UPA): The United Nations Security Council committee tonight gave the Jews and the Arabs 48 hours to begin carrying out the Council order for military withdrawals in South Palestine and negotiations for a full-fledged armistice.

TUNDLA OUTRAGE

ALLAHABAD, Dec. 8, (UPI): According to a message received here from Tundla, the guard and havildar of a goods train were found shot dead at Tundla on Tuesday night. A police constable who was also shot died subsequently while being removed to hospital.

MAHE ARRESTS

CALICUT, Dec. 8, (API): Arrests and house searches are being reported from Mahe. A member of the Mahajanasabha and a member of the Socialist Party were arrested yesterday

COMMUNIST DETENUS ON HUNGER STRIKE

COIMBATORE, Dec. 8 (API): Mr. M. R. Venkatraman and Mr. A. K. Gopalan, Communists, who are under detention in the Coimbatore Central Jail are now stated to be on hunger strike.

DEPORTATION OF AFRICANS

JOHANNESBURG, Dec. 8 (UPI): As part of the Nationalist Government's segregation policy, thousands of Africans in the towns of South Africa are being rounded up and deported to the countryside. According to a statement of the Minister of the Interior, Dr. Donges, 4,400 "vagrant" natives had been driven from Johannesburg alone in the last 3 months.

The Bombay Chronicle

A country cannot subsist well without liberty, nor liberty without virtue. —ROUSSEAU

END COMMUNALISM NOW

The plans of the R.S.S. for a "satyagraha" campaign are unfolding themselves. Mr. Govind Sahai, Parliamentary Secretary to the U. P. Premier, in a statement has given the manifestations of agitation that are under way. From West Bengal comes a report that the Government has discovered the ramifications of a province-wide scheme and is busy countering it. In the present temper of the country, a communal campaign has little hope of success. The R.S.S. programme is thus the desperate move of a frustrated body. If it desires a trial of strength, then nothing could be more welcome than a challenge to authority in these conditions. Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel who is not given to exaggeration, has declared that the Government of India are prepared for any contingency. The R.S.S. "satyagraha" will be more than matched by all the resources of a popular administration. There need be no doubt about the outcome.

But it is a matter for consideration how far the people and the Government have by passivity encouraged the forces of communal reaction to attempt a coup. With the coming to power of the Congress, the nation declared itself against communalism and for a secular State. Communal politics in a secular State are a misfit but the Government moved slowly against communal parties. It was left to the members of such parties to realise the new spirit and end their activities. In several parts of the country, the embers of communal prejudice were kept smouldering, waiting for a suitable moment to be fanned into flicking flames. It was late in the day that the Government of India issued its directive to provincial administrations virtually outcasting communal politicians. Even after the directive there were disturbing events which perplexed the public mind.

Why should it be possible for a banned body like the R.S.S., ostensibly dissolved by its head Mr. Golwalker, to attempt some months later a countrywide demonstration? The answer lies in the over-confident assumption that a ban by the Government met the needs of the situation. So far as the Government is concerned, not much harm has been done as the activities of the R.S.S. have not passed unnoticed But an unnecessary strain has been imposed on the public, and this time there must be a final settling of accounts. As Sardar Patel remarked, it is not merely opposition to the Government but a challenge to the State. And we cannot continue repelling one challenge after another.

What the country requires is a clean sweep of all communal parties, a clearing of the air before a sturdy nationalism is built. Communal electorates have been eliminated; with them should go communal parties in all their manifestations. In view of the bitter experience of the past, it would not be asking too much to desire a wholesale ban on not only communal political associations but even on individual politicians with a communal record. There is no room for misguided sympathy with men who play on prejudice and incite one group of Indians against other groups, men whose hands are raised against the declared objective of a secular State.

Flogging A Dead Horse

The United Nations might well tire of the persistent Sir Mahomed Zafrullah and his Hyderabad cause. In a vain effort to raise the issue once before the Security Council, Sir Mahomed has referred to the situation in Hyderabad as "fast deteriorating" and warned the U. N. of impending "grave consequences". What Sir Mahomed means by deteriorating, it is easy to gather. Obviously, he means that Hyderabad is coming fully within the orbit of the Indian Union, that the process of adjustment is being satisfactorily effected, and that Pakistan's case is fast vanishing. All these are matters disquieting to the Pakistan delegate at the U.N. More confusing is his threat of grave consequences. What consequences can Sir Mahomed fear or threaten so far as Hyderabad is concerned?

Sir Mahomed Zafrullah is too experienced a diplomat not to see that he is fighting a losing battle over Hyderabad. And, strangely enough, Sir Mahomed has not shown himself in other matters a valiant fighter. On the South-West African issue, his representative began well but did not stay the course. After having spoken in full support of India's stand, he retreated into a shameful neutrality when the voting started. Why should there be a difference on Hyderabad alone? Possibly, Sir Mahomed hopes to use Hyderabad as a bargaining-point with India and thus dreads to let it die out a natural death. In other words, he is using the U. N. for a political purpose and he expects his fellow delegates to lend themselves to his manipulations.

So far as India is concerned, needless to say the Hyderabad of which Sir Mahomed talks, is a thing of the past. It exists nowhere except in the imagination of the Pakistan Foreign Minister. There is evidence to show that Pakistan encouraged Hyderabad to resist a reasonable agreement with India and then left it to face the music. Perhaps the championing at U. N. is by way of belated amends. The problems which now confront Hyderabad and India are very different from what they were when the appeal to U. N. was made and withdrawn. It would be a diversion of essential talent and energy if India were to engage herself in arguing with Sir Mahomed at the U.N.

States Constitution

The work of drafting a model constitution for the Indian States and States Union has been undertaken by the States Ministry. It is work of a largely advisory nature. There is no intention of thrusting a cast-iron constitution on the different States. On the contrary, the model, will be a flexible one, more in outline, for the different States to fill in detail. The necessity for this work arises from the inexperience of the various States on whom the responsibility for framing a constitution has now devolved. It has been reiterated frequently that every effort should be made to approximate the units in States India to Indian provinces. This is for many reasons very desirable. But it is equally true that the adjustments will have to come gradually, without any forcing of the issues. For one thing the States differ among themselves widely and what would suit one State might be out of place in another. It has been wisely decided to leave the more progressive States which have already been working out constitutional reforms, to pursue their own path, free, of course, to adopt any of the devices of the model constitution.

There is ground for satisfaction that the framing of the model has been entrusted to the guidance of Sir B. N. Rau, whose experience in Indian constitutional affairs will prove helpful. The States, as they exist today, have one problem which is peculiar: Between a ruler who has divested authority and assumed, willingly or otherwise, the role of constitutional head, and a people who are tasting for the time political rights and power, the internal condition is somewhat chaotic. In many States, the stabilising factor is the realisation that it is part of India. This makes the guidance of the Centre inevitable but it is not for that matter easy to exercise. We have seen in Hyderabad the feeling against outside influences which tolerates the permanent services but looks with misgiving on political "intruders". It is prevalent in less degree in most States.

TETE-A-TETE

WITHOUT COMMENT.

AMMAN, Dec. 7.

King Abdullah's Cabinet today approved a Palestine Arab general Congress resolution calling for the unification of Palestine with Transjordan, under King Abdullah. The resolution was adopted by the Congress at its meeting held in Jericho Dec. 1.—Reuter.

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A Government spokesman has declared that the situation in Hyderabad is peaceful and normal.

That explains why Sir Mahomed Zafrullah has agitatedly raised an alarm demanding that the Security Council proceed immediately "to arrest the fast deteriorating situation" in that State.

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Or maybe he also wanted to provie his colleague, Mr. Ghulam Muhammad with a helpful background for the current New Delhi talks.

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Sir Mahomed Zafrullah further declared that urgent action was also needed "to avert the grave consequences.'

Meaning thereby that if he was kind enough to spare India grave consequences from Pakistan and the Muslim world, which he threatened on the eve of India's police action, his patience was now being exhausted and he could no longer restrain himself and the Muslim world? The "invasion" of Hyderabad was one thing but if it comes to a "deteriorating situation"—well, that is intolerable; most intolerable!

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And, of course, as we have just said, it is necessary to strengthen Mr. Ghulam Mohammad with an effective background, isn't it?

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In the winter session of the Pakistan Parliament a private member's resolution will be proposed recommending that States Rulers in Pakistan be asked to introduce full representative popular Government in their states.

Yes, it is now time for something to be done, for instance, a private member's resolution recommending to Government to ask the Rulers etc., etc.

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New York: Mr. Eddie Eagan, Chairman of the New York State Athletic Commission, called here for Athletic competition between America and Russia as a means of promoting international understanding.

Some procedural questions arise. Apart from the problems of venue, the types of competitive games, the rules of competition etc. which can, of course, all be deadlocked in a conference of American and Russian Deputies, there are questions like what about umpiring and whether the final appeal will lie with the Security Council working with a Western majority or an Eastern veto.

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Some members of the Chinese Legislative Yuan, alleging Soviet assistance to Chinese communists propose a Government appeal to the U. N. for moral support.—Nanking Report.

Moral support? Certainly; with the greatest possible pleasure and in overflowing measure.

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In the U. N. Political Committee, the U. S. delegate, Mr. Dulles, asked that the committee demonstrate its solidarity with the "newly-formed but already threatened" Republic in American-occupied South Korea.

Until in due course the President of the U. S. dismisses with a cup of tea the President or Mrs. President of the South Korean Republic.

Intellectual Isolationism No Longer Possible

(By DR. WILLIAM C. JOHNSTONE)

NEW YORK, Dec. 6.—The United States, now mapping a world-wide programme for the exchange of experts and information in the educational, cultural, scientific and technical fields, feels that "intellectual isolationism" is impossible in the modern world, Dr. William C. Johnstone, Jr., director of the State Department's Office of Educational Exchange, said here Friday night.

Speaking before the Regional Conference on Higher Education of the National Education Association, Dr. Johnstone linked the projected exchange programme to the U.S. tradition of academic freedom. The spirit of free inquiry, encouraged through the flow of ideas and knowledge across international boundaries and the meeting of different peoples face to face, can add greatly to international understanding and world peace, he declared.

Johnstone remarked: "Today millions of people in great areas of the world are destitute. Under the most difficult conditions, they are struggling to achieve some measure of economic security. Under the most trying circumstances, they are groping to find the stable ground of freedom and human decency. We have pledged them our help. In unprecedented acts of international friendship we have given generously of our money and our materials that these people might join with us in building and sharing in the enjoyment of a peaceful and prosperous world.

"But this is not enough. We find the principles for which we stand attacked, our motives impugned, and our efforts to help distorted by those whose rule of force depends on keeping people's minds in darkness. They fear freedom. They know that there is no weapon more powerful than the power generated in a free mind.

"DEADLY STRUGGLE FOR CONTROL OF MEN'S MINDS"

"No other fact of international life is more apparent today than that a deadly struggle has been joined for the control of men's minds. In this battle we cannot afford the role of intellectual isolation. We cannot win with money and materials alone. These are but the products of our vast arsenal of knowledge which we must share generously if the area of world freedom is to expand."

The people of the United States are "taking positive action" to meet this situation, Johnstone continued. "Now for the first time in our history, we are engaged in a comprehensive, cooperative programme on a world-wide scale with the objective of building mutual understanding among peoples", he said.

This programme, he explained, was authorized in the Smith-Mundt Act, passed by Congress in January 1948.

EDUCATIONAL EXCHANGE UNDER FULBRIGHT ACT

Academic exchanges contemplated under the Smith-Mundt Act are in addition to those provided for by the Fulbright Act, Johnstone pointed out. Twenty-four countries are eligible to participate in the Fulbright programme, which is financed from the sale of U.S. surplus property abroad. Foreign currencies obtained in this way are earmarked for educational purposes under agreements between the United States and the country concerned.

The United States has signed pacts with eight such countries, and four programmes are now in operation. Twenty countries are expected to have projects in operation by June 30, 1949, the end of this fiscal year.

The Smith-Mundt projects also supplement, rather than replace, the privately-supported programmes, which the State Department has helped to develop, such as that begun two and one half years ago between the United States and Great Britain, he said. More than 200 teachers traded positions in the two countries under the project.

Johnstone noted that establishment of overseas U.S. libraries is also provided for in the Smith-Mundt law. There are now 64 such libraries abroad, he said, and it is anticipated that there will be 83 of them in 52 different countries by the end of the current fiscal year. They give a picture of U.S. life to other countries, and provide specialists with professional and technical knowledge through American books and journals.—USIS.

'BOMBAY'S GREATNESS LIES IN DIVERSITY'

HUBLI, Dec. 8 (API): "I have great pleasure to know that yours is the first Municipal Borough to hold elections under joint electorates. I have always held the opinion that there should be joint electorates; you will see the good effects of it after some time," observed Mr. Chagla, Chief Justice of the Bombay High Court, replying to the address of Hubli Municipal Borough this morning.

Regarding the request in the civic that the Bombay High Court should address presented by the Borough, have sittings in Hubli for some months, he said that there were practical difficulties in its way. Anyhow the demand would be placed before the Government he added.

Referring to the demand for separate Karnatak province, Justice Chagla said "there is unity in diversity: Bombay's greatness lies in its diversity of having Gujarathi, Marathi and Kannada areas. "Please do not end this cosmopolitan nature of this province by dividing it on linguistic basis," he added.

INDIA AND U.N.E.S.C.O.

CALCUTTA, Dec. 8, (API): Mr. P. N. Banerjee, Vice-Chancelor of Calcutta University and member of the Indian Delegation to the recent UNESCO session at Beirut, at a press conference today expressed the hope that the UNESCO would succeed where the UNO had failed.

He said that the United Nations Organisation had been split into two. The UNESCO had not yet met with the same fate. Even if UNO failed, the UNESCO need not fail. If However the UNESCO failed, there was no hope for humanity and a third atomic world war was the only posibility, he said.

He said that the UNESCO had afforded him an opportunity of knowing the Middle East and the impressions which he had gathered earlier through literature about the place and its inhabitants had gone. He found the Arab states very friendly to India and thought that the people of India should make their best endeavour to cement this friendship.

"I do not know what our newly-established embassy have done so far, but unofficial organisations and the Indian Press in particular must put forth efforts in the direction of making our relations with the Arab states and the Middle East more friendly than they are today.

FRANKLY SPEAKING

Women's Education

The slogan, "educate a boy and you educate an individual—educate a girl and you educate a whole family", was current in an earlier generation when women's education had many obstacles to overcome. Today it is not necessary to plead the cause since everybody is converted to it. As a matter of fact, it is being recognised that education is not a commodity which can be given to one member of the family and withheld from others; it is natural that there is a fairly even distribution in every household of educational opportunities and facilities. At the Mahila Vidyalaya, Belgaum, Mr. Kher passed over the usual admonitions and considered the kind of education which should be given to girls. He favoured differentiation between boys' and girls' education in the secondary stages as both advisable and necessary. The danger in this view is that it can easily deteriorate into neglect of girls' education or provision of an inferior kind of training Mr. Kher referred to women scholars in Ancient India. From the very nature of their record, it is clear that they developed their faculties in a free and equal atmosphere. The Prime Minister's remark that women form half our nation and we cannot afford to keep the half ignorant and uneducated, points to an unconscious acceptance of equality which requires also equal opportunities for development. Incidentally, keeping women ignorant, even if one wanted to, is out of the question. They have a very definite and decisive voice on the matter, and they will certainly not agree to it. Indian publicists should be the last to forget that we have several women in important positions in national life. When Stephenson was asked what would happen if his invention, the steam engine, should come across a cow, so much the worse for the cow, he answered. It is well for the mere male who is very much in the same predicament, to remember this laconic warning.

Warning To The Congress

For several months now, Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, who has for years been the organising genius of the Indian National Congress and its political and parliamentary activities, has been calling attention to the deterioration that is only too evident in the great organisation and in Congress. It is, as he said at Gwalior, no longer the "sound" institution that it had been for decades since Mahatma Gandhi took charge. Events prove the justice of the Sardar's complaint and warning. The bye-election for the seat of the late Mr. K. F. Nariman in the Bombay Corporation is a striking and painful demonstration of it all. In his Gwalior speech, Sardar Vallabhbhai, referring to his life-long work to keep the Congress intact, had said, "Upto this time it had held together. Even today when the Congress organisation is not so sound, when it makes its call for popular support people flock to its support." Wednesday had proved that the situation is worse than even Sardar Vallabhbhai has feared.

Set It Right

People did not flock to the support of the Congress in a Bombay ward which has been known to be the home and stronghold of the Congress. In that ward the Congress candidate was beaten by a Socialist opponent with a margin the smallness of which does not matter at all as an excuse or a consolation. Admitted that Socialists, who till recently were in the Congress and had undergone the sufferings and sacrifices which Congress called for in the struggle for freedom, are as good patriots as ever and acknowledged to be such, the Congress candidate had behind him a great organisation and represented the traditions and prestige of the institution, which the people have regarded as their own and of which they have been justly and gratefully proud. Yet those very people preferred the Socialist to the Congressman and did not flock, as they always did, to the Congress. Why have they displayed discontent and disillusionment, for, this is what the result is? Congress leaders have to ponder seriously this big blow and have to face ruthlessly their failings and weaknesses. Something has to be done about it.

No Breakdown?

The breakdown in the Dutch-Indonesian talks has been denied by the Dutch delegation on its return to Amsterdam. Mr. Sassen, the Minister for Overseas Territories, emphasised that it was in the main points only a case of differences regarding the interim period. That may be so but Dutch insistence on sovereign authority in the interim period is not an ordinary matter because authority may be used further to break the Republican movement in favour of the local allies of the Dutch, people and parties with which India had been only too familiar during the long years of struggle for freedom from a tenacious British Imperialism. Moreover, Dr. Stikker, the Foreign Minister and another member of the Dutch delegation, has been giving suggestive hints and insinuations about Dr. Hatta's alleged difficulties with some of the latter's own men and "forces." The suspicion would not be justified that the Dutch are preparing a ground for a final "breakdown" and further "police actions", blaming it all on Dr. Hatta and the Republicans.

Task Before U. N. Committee

Meanwhile interest has shifted again to the United Nation Security Council's "Good Offices" Committee. It is reported to have decided, on an invitation from the Republican Government, to move its headquarters from Batavia to Kaliurang near Jogjakarta. This move is a clear indication that the "Good Offices" Committee is satisfied about the desire of the Republic for a peaceful settlement and is willing to assist the Republic in its efforts. But will the Committee be able to do much? Whether, as the Batavia report says, formal negotiations for a settlement through the "Good Offices" Committee are resumed will depend on the Dutch Government's decision. That is to say, the likelihood of it is extremely problematical. But the "Good Offices" Committee can certainly do something otherwise. It can submit a clear and categorical report exposing the Dutch intentions and Dutch designs. If the Security Council has such a report from its Committee, the United States may possibly feel that in sheer international decency it should warn the Netherlands that the Marshall aid to it may have to be subjected to certain conditions.

OUR READERS' VIEWS

Age Of Retirement In Baroda Service

Sir,—Recently, the Baroda Government have fixed the age of retirement of 58 for those servants who are drawing below and upto Rs. 100 and 56 for those who are drawing above Rs. 100 and have thus thrown a bomb-shell upon the old experienced servants of the State.

Efficiency is out of question. Old servants have accumulated wide experience in the service. They have put their soul and heart in the service—they will still be prepared to do so—they will put as many hours as is wanted of them. Their services and wide experience will be very much useful and essential in the present new administration. Removing them from their service all of a sudden in these most critical times will put them into unlimited hardships. They and their young ones will have to starve.

Appeal of old servants may move the soft hearts of the present Ministry and create sympathetic thoughts in their minds. May Almighty save the old servants from this chaos.

The Central Pay Commission Report have very carefully fixed the age of 56 for gazetted officers and 60 for non-gazetted servants.

It is, therefore, desired that the Baroda Government may reconsider their decision which is likely to adversely affect the lives of many employees of the State.—Your etc.

J. H. MEHTA.

Fish And Food Problem

Sir,—Mechanization and total mechanization, both of agriculture and industry, gainfully employing the whole human race, with the highest possible efficiency, hydro-electric, irrigation and navigation projects, etc., can easily solve our food shortage. One who has travelled the world over, through Atlantic and Pacific Oceans, can realise that the present fish resources, could still be multiplied many times for food. This source of food supply can sustain 10 or even 100 times the population we have at the present time. The main problem is sane social order.—Yours, etc.

S. A. WAHEED.

Temporary Telegraphists

Sir,—The India Government have granted concessions to the permanent Government telegraphists to get the difference in pay according to Pay Commision decision and to get their T. A. etc. for themselves and their families for journey from Pakistan to India and also to get 3 months' salaries as a loan for heir help to meet the financial difficulties but I much regret to say that they have never cared to grant similar facilities to the temporary telegraphists who worked in Pakistan Telegraph offices for 2 to 3 years and who migrated from Pakistan under great compulsion after being completely robbed of their properties and finding themselves in wretched condition. Although such men who had no idea of leaving their native places but they had no other source except doing so in order to save their families lives.

It is indeed, a matter of great pity that the India Government have ignored to give similar sympathetic consideration towards poor temporary telegraphists in respect of the very concessions as those given to the permanent telegraphists. Comparatively the permanent men suffered nothing because of their migrating from Pakistan much earlier before the riots took place. They had opted for India big permanent men whereas no temporary telegraphists were ever asked for giving their option.—Yours, etc.

G. C. P.

Cloth Rationing

Sir,—Bombay Rationing authorities have at long last come out with a plan for distribution of cloth in Bombay Province and have recently published their schemes of distribution.

Every adult in Bombay will obtain 10 coupons for every 6 months period of rationing and out of these 10 coupons 6 will be endorsed for "sarees' and "dhoties" while 3 and 1 for coating and each unit is equal to 1 yard of course and medium cloth or ½ yard of fine and superfine cloth. Thus an adult will only get during every ration period 3 yards of fine or superfine quality of "saree" or "dhoti". Have the Bombay Rationing authorities ever thought how on earth an adult can use a "saree" or "dhoti" of 3 yards since these coupons are not valid for another period of rationing? In other words, is it the intention of the Government that people should not use fine and superfine qualities? Then why waste time and money in producing these qualities at all? I think the Government should ban these qualities and force everybody to use coarse and medium qualities. There is another alternative for this that Government should put fine and superfine qualities on open market at 50 p.c. above ex mill price so that people who can afford may use them and the profits so earned should be used as subsidy for coarse and medium cloth.

They have also announced that every child below 6 will not get its coupon endorsed for "saree" or "dhoti" or even coating. Is it the intention of the Bombay Rationing authorities that a male child below 6 should not use coats at all even during the approaching winter? It is really surprising that Government adopted this attitude towards children in spite of recent U.N. conference on children mortality and appeal by Rani Maharaj Singh for collection of contribution in coin or kind (food, cloth etc.) for children.

Will the Public Relations Officer please explain this in the best interest of the public?—Yours etc.

A. CITIZEN.

Ban On Excommunication

Sir,—It is nothing but misguided reformist enthusiasm that has prompted the Government of Bombay to sponsor the Bill to prohibit ex-communication especially at a time when all their efforts should be concentrated on tackling the many urgent and vital problems affecting the life and well-being of millions of people entrusted to their care.

To bring forward a legislation to protect an infinitesimal section of the population while measures to safeguard and promote the interests of millions are not even thought of is, to say the least, an exhibition of utter lack of sense of proportion or urgency. Indeed, a careful and unbiased examination of the problem will show that the social need for such a measure does not practically exist.

In India where communities are formed on the basis of religion excommunication has been employed against those acting contrary to the religious tenets or in a manner harmful to the solidarity and integrity of the communities or groups.

Though the weapon is capable of being misused, and in a few cases actually misused, it had, on the whole, wielded a salutary effect on the communities. If it is now taken away in the manner proposed by the legislation, it will destroy the social and religious sanction which maintains and preserves communal integrity and solidarity. It will neutralise the authority of the religious heads and encourage the individual to defy the will of the community.

It stands to reason and accords with theory of social contract that an individual who wishes to enjoy the benefits of social or communal life must be prepared to conform to the laws of the group or community.

The prohibition of ex-communication is total and absolute. It will not be allowed even in justifiable cases where the individual has acted flagrantly in defiance and against the interest of the community, group, caste or sub-caste. It is a moot point whether such a total ban can be valid at all in inasmuch as it takes away a long enjoyed religious and communal rights.—Yours, etc.,

"JUSTINIAN."

Rate Of Interest

Sir,—Since the Rent Restriction Act is not clear on this point will the Director of Public Relation or your readers give an idea of the reasonable gross or nett return on investment of house properties in Bombay.—Yours etc.

ONE WHO IS INTERESTED

Landlords' Harassment Of Victims Of Cyclone

Sir,—Seeing a God-given opportunity to obtain higher rents and also fresh Pugarees some landlords are harassing tenants to vacate. Hence, the Municipality or the Government should bring pressure on such recalcitrants to clear the debris and to erect thereon, atleast a temporary structure, within 10 days or so.—Yours etc.

C. X. F.

OPEN AIR

Sitting quietly at Khandala in the shade of a large tree, I was able to watch the antics of the little crested larks which ran busily about in the short grass quite near me. They are small birds, about the same size as the sparrow and are light brown in colour and so are quite inconspicuous in appearance. They can be distinguished from the other larks by the erect crest of pointed feathers on the head. The lark does not move in hops as the sparrow does, but runs rapidly for a short distance as it searches for grasshoppers or other insects in the short grass. Suddenly it stops, pecks out some titbit, then looks around with bright, beady little eyes before running off again in another direction. Suddenly it flies up on to a wall or wire to sing a trilling little song before going back to the serious job of searching for food. The Crested Lark builds its cup-shaped nest on the ground, generally in a shallow depression protected by a tuft of grass or a big stone, and the parents are very careful not to betray the whereabouts of their precious fledglings by approaching the nest directly, but always land at some distance and then run unobtrusively to feed their young ones and leave the nest in the same way.

D. R.

CRESTED LARK.

PROSPECTS FOR SECOND TEST

Visitors Handicapped By Sick List

BOMBAY, Wednesday.

The Second Test match of the present series between India and the West Indies will commence tomorrow at the Brabourne Stadium here. While the Indian Selectors have chosen twelve players, from among whom the Indian Captain shall select the team, the visitors will announce their team a little before the commencement in the morning.

With one Test drawn and four to go the West Indies and India meet at the Brabourne Stadium for the Second Test. Our visitors are a perturbed lot. Casualties, so inevitable to a touring side, have taken their toll. Headley, already suffering from some breakdown in his health, is a very doubtful starter. Ferguson, and Jones are also not as fit as their skipper would like them to be before the commencement of the Test. In addition Goddard, their skipper, is also reported to be down with fever. This will affect the strength of the visitors' team. Even if all the players now rather unfit take the field they will certainly not be in a position to turn in their best performances. But, as so often happens in a big match, the stop-gap may turn out to be even a greater performer than the team-mate he has replaced.

As for the Indian side, the choice for the eleventh place rests clearly between Umrigar and Sarwate. The moderate performances of the latter in the Delhi Test makesit difficult for Amarnath to drop him. On the other hand if a place is not found for Umrigar in this Test, he may well be the Twelth man throughout the series unless some accident comes to his aid. In any case, whatever be the choice of the India skipper, one fact stands out; and that is that the slowers of the Indian middle batting will never get the home side the initiative as the India will never be in front of the clock. Modi, Amarnath and only after he is very well set Hazare are capable of forcing the pace from the body of the Indian batting. Vinoo Mankad the opening batsman is also one of the quicker run-getters, but his inability to find his best batting form, coupled with the fact that he will be responsible for laying the foundation of the Indian total will not make it particularly conducive for him to go after runs. This will enable the visitors to retain the initiative with fast run-getters like Weekes, Walcott, Gomes and Christiani amongst them.

Neither side possess any bowler of merit great enough to dismiss his opponent twice in a five-day match on a wicket which is hardly likely to be affected by the wear and tear it will be subjected to.

"TEST" HOLIDAY FOR MUNICIPAL SCHOOLS

BOMBAY, Wednesday.

All Municipal Schools in the city will remained closed on Saturday December 11 to enable the students to witness the test match between the West Indies and India at the Brabourne Stadium.

A decision to this effect was taken this afternoon at a meeting of the Municipal Schools Committee.

In the Day's Sport

HOCKEY
Association Ground
3-45 p.m.—Black Spiders vs. O.C.S.
5-45 p.m.—Bombay City vs. B.E.S.T.
CRICKET
Brabourne Stadium
10-45 a.m.—West Indies vs. India (Second Test Match—First Day.
ST. XAVIER'S GROUND PAREL
3 p.m.—Don Bosco H.S. vs. Antonio D'Souza H. S.
4 p.m.—St. Sebastian H.S. vs. St. Stanislaus H. S.
5 p.m.—Catholic Gymkhana vs. St. Xaviers.
G.I.P. RLY. GROUND, PAREL
3 p.m.—St. Xaviers H. S. vs. Master Tutorial.
4 p.m.—Thana Dist. Police vs. Young Aryans Goans.

INTER-COLLEGE SPORTS

T. Le. Febour's New Record In Hop, Step And Jump

BOMBAY, Wednsday.

The Inter-Collegiate Athletic Sports commenced at the Cooperage this afternoon and numerous items were gone through. A notable feature of the day's programme was the breaking of a record. T. Le Febour of St Xavier's in the Hop, Step and Jump cleared. 43 feet 10¼ inches a new record for the University.

The following are the heats decided:—

110 METRES HIGH HURDLES

1ST HEAT—J. Crasto (S.X.) 2 T LeFebour (S.X.) 3 Gangoli (Khalsa) Time: 17-2 secs.

2ND HEAT—L. Creed (S.X.) 2. J Coutinho (Sid). 3. C. D. Mascarenhas (G.M.C.) Time 18-5 secs.

100 METRES RUN (MEN)

1ST HEAT—J. Crasto (S.X.) 2. V D'Costa (G. M. C.) 3. J. Miranda (Khalsa) 4. S. M. Asghar (Ismail) Time 11.7 secs.

2ND HEAT—1 L. J. Creed (S.X.) 2 O. Pinto (G.M.C.) 3. J. Coutinho (Sidd) 4. S.S. Iyer (Podar) Time: 11-5 secs.

3RD HEAT—1. E. Powell (S.X.) 2 Buhariwala (G.M.C.) 3. V. Lobo (Khalsa) 4. J. Martin (Svdn.) Time: 11-4 secs.

400 METRES (MEN)

1ST HEAT—1 O. Pinto (G.M.C.) 2 J. Crasto (S.X.) Time: 54.4 secs.

2ND HEAT—1. S. D'Cunha (S.X.) 2 V. B. Salunke (Sid) Time: 56.2 secs.

3RD HEAT—1. A. Sequira (S.X.) 2 A. Nunes (Law) Time: 56.8 secs.

PUTTING THE SHOT

Following qualified for the final. N. Khairabadi (Syd) J. Mansoor (G.M.C.) I. Bretto (G.S.M.) M. Gomes (S.X.) T. LeFebour (S.X.) S. R. Panthaki (Sidd).

50 METRES RUN (WOMEN)

1ST HEAT—1. B. Gazdar (S.X.) 2 N. Kapadia (S.X.) 3. N. Farias (Sophia) Time: 7 secs.

2ND HEAT—1. R. Mistry (S.X.) C Jariwalla (E.C. & R.I.S.) 3 M. Coelho (Sophia). Time: 6.9 secs.

3000 METRES CYCLING (MEN)

1ST HEAT—1. A. Patel (Khalsa) 2 K. Byramjee (Sid) Time: 5 mins. 33.4 secs.

2ND HEAT—1. J. Patel (Ruia) 2. S. Metha (G.M.C.) Time: 6 min. 58 secs.

3RD HEAT—1 R. R. Noble (E.C. & R.I.S.) 2 S. B. Pavri (Sedd). Time 5 min. 33.4 secs.

TUG-OF-WAR (MEN)

E. C. and R.I.S. beat Siddarth (2-0) St. Xavier's beat Ruia (2-0).

FINALS

BROAD JUMP (WOMEN'S)

B. Gazdar (S.X.) 2 T. Vakil (S.X.) N. Farias (Sophia) distance 15 ft. 9 inches.

HOP, STEP AND JUMP (MEN)

T. LeFebour (S.X.) 2. J. Crasto (S. X.) 3 L. Mendonca (Khalsa) distance: 43 feet 10½ inches (New record).

800 METRES (MEN)

1 J. Crasto (S.X.) 2. S. D'Cunha (S.X.) 3. P. Motiwalla (G.M.C.) Time: 2 min. 15.2 secs.

HIGH JUMP (MEN)

1. S.B Salvi (G.S.M.) 2 I. Britto (G.S.M.) 3. A. Faria (S.X.) Height 5 feet 5-3/4 inches.

Woodcock To Meet South Africa's Ralph

JOHANNESBURG, Dec. 8, (Reuter): Bruce Woodcock, British heavyweight champion has accepted the White City sporting club's terms for a fight with South African champion Johnny Ralph here on January 29, it is learned here. The terms are similar to those accepted by Freddie Mills British holder of the world cruiseweight title for his recent fight with Ralph.

Goan Sports 'A' In Winning Vein

B.P.H.A. HOCKEY LEAGUE

BOMBAY Wednsday.

In the first division game today Goan Sports "A" gained a two goal victory over G.I.P. Rly. "B". The Railwaymen were unable to score although they tried to neutralize the score. In my opinion this combination of the Goan Sports is rather hard to beat especially as they work together combining their short passes with long ones too.

The Goans got their first goal through Ferrao who scored in the early stages when the Railway had no goalkeeper. They got there secon goal through Branganza who scored a beautiful goal from a melee. Braganza was rather unlucky not to score at least three positive ones which the goalie either got his hands too or saved well.

In the earlier match. Telegraph Recreation Club playing one short lost to V. J. T. Institute by three goals to one. The goal-getters for V. J. T. were Pethe and Josy.

On the Parsi Cyclists' ground Boys' Own S.C. beat Parsi S. A. by three goals to two.

PAREL HOCKEY

BOMBAY, Wednesday.

Mazagaon Docks "A" had a well earned victory over Dockyard "B" by the odd goal in three in the Div. I of the Parel Hockey League played at the St. Xaviers Ground Parel this evening. D'Lema the hero of the Mazagaon Docks was credited with both the goals scored for his side while Francis scored the only goal for the losers.

In the second game Bombay Area Army failed to turn up in their match against the General Motors in Div. II. Firestone beat Dreamland S.C. in the Second Division of the same League played at the G.I.P. Rly. Ground by a solitary goal scored through Parvelkar, while in the earlier game Burmah Shell did not turn up against Indian Tool in Div III fixture.

TEST CRICKETERS ENTERTAINED

Bombay Governor's Reception

His Excellency Raja Sir Maharaj Singh and Rani Maharaj Singh entertained the West Indies and the India Test sides at the lovely Government House this evening. Notable absentees amongst the visitors were their skipper Goddard, who is reported to be ill and Ferguson. Amongst the Indian Phadkar and Ibrahim could not attend.

DANES WIN ALL MATCHES

COPENHAGEN, Dec. 7, (Reuter): Denmark won all four of the matches in the first day's play in the second round Thomas Cup Badminton Championship against Sweden, here, tonight.

The Swedish team—whose chances were never believed to be high—arrived with their best player, Conny Jepson, and experts confidently predict a 9-0 victory for Denmark. If these predictions are justified, Denmark will meet either England or France in the European Zone final.

Tonight's matches were little more than practice games for the Danes, who for the most part were merely playing with their opponents.

The results were:

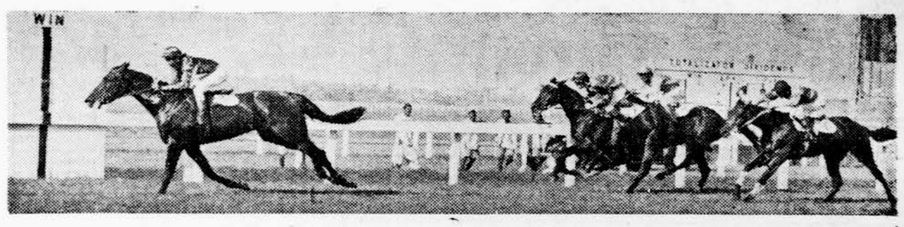
Singles: Jergen Skaarup beat Nils Johnson 15—6, 15—3; Mogens Felsby beat Inge Blombery 15—8, 15—1.

Doubles: Poul Holm and Berge Frederiksen beat Nils Johnson and Knut Malmgren 15—8, 15—8; Jerge Skaarup and Preben Dabelsteen beat Helge Paulsson and Bengt Polling 15—5, 15—7.

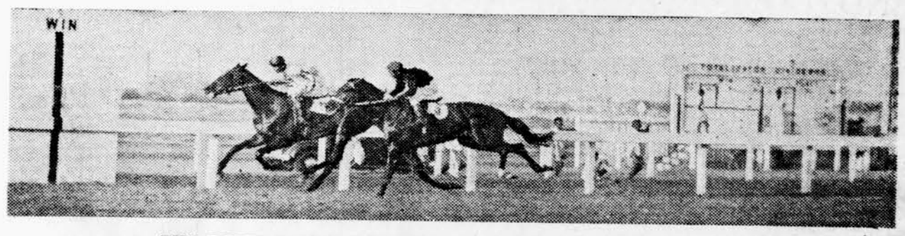
M.C.C. PLAYS DRAW MATCH WITH TRANSVAAL XI

PRETORIA, Dec. 8, (Reuter): The M.C.C. touring side were held to a draw by the combined Transvaal Eleven here today but the honours were with the visitors who having declared at 483 for four overnight dismissed the combined side for 151 and then, when they followed on, claimed five wickets for 140 before stumps were drawn.

THE CURSETJEE DHUNJISHAW PLATE



(1) Panditji, (2) Fully Poppy (3) Battle Out.



THE DELHI PLATE DIVISION I (1) Bavaji. (2) Hooded Terror.

ANOTHER DISASTROUS DAY FOR PUNTERS AT MAHALUXMI

Full House Romps Home In Chief Event

(BY OUR RACING CORRESPONDENT)

BOMBAY, Wednesday.

Today, at Mahaluxmi, when the third winter meeting was decided, firm favourites made a complete exodus and once again allowed the Bookmakers to thrive. The attendance was moderate and thrills lacked in the proceedings with lengthy verdicts going up the board excepting in the third division of the Delhi Plate. Langford Cunningham rode a sensational finish here on the neglected Jouette who was the last to strike out of the gate. Cunningham wasted no time in brushing up his mount and when at the four he was in charge of the running. Jouette entered the straight hotly pursued by Daisy Tripper and Ajinkya Tara II and approaching the grand stand the latter too had his measure. Those few who had supported him almost lost confidence but young Cunningham put in a second effort and pushing his mount with utmost vigour all the way up, he scored a sensational short-head victory from Ajinkya Tara II. Daisy Tripper, the third in the frame was also another short-head behind Kasbekar, Ajinkya Tara's rider lodged an objection against the winner but it was overruled after a lengthy enquiry.

In the following event also, winner Panditji was challenged before the stewards by Amir Ahmed, rider of fourth placed Sir Galhad. This objection was also overruled.

Kashmir-owned Full House sailed home an easy winner in the day's chief event, the Aga Shamsuddin Plate. The winner lay almost second behind Fair Haven till the one and strode very fast thereafter to win as he liked. The greatly fancied Pramila and Ma'maselle placed poor third and fourth respectively.

Liberty Belle, facile winner of the Ujjain Plate was in the middle division till heads were turned to the straight. This good filly, another hope of trainer Talib for the classics demonstrated that she will also stay well.

The distinction of the day was carried by veteran Mahommedalli who saddled a double through the medium of Manipulator and Bavaji.

Twenty-two punters collected Rs. 3,271 each on the daily treble pool.

The following are the results:—

THE MARINE LINES PLATE—Distance 7 Furlongs.

Mr. S. Bundali's MANIPULATOR 7-5 Sheikh 1
Mr. J. D. Banatwalla's DESERT HAWK 8-0 Kheemsingh 2
M/s. Abid H. Doctor and E. I. Sargon's BLANK CHEQUE 9-6 Shiba 3
M/s. Hugo Wachsmann and D. N. Shroff's CREPE DE CHINE 7-5 Jadhav 4

Not Run: Chetna and Chandra Kumar.

Won by 5 length, 1 3/4 length, 2 1/4 lengths.
Time: 1min. 30 2-5secs.
Tote paid: Rs. 64 for win, Rs. 15, 12 and 12 for places.
Winner trained by Mahomedalli.

THE DELHI PLATE (Div. II)—Distance 7 Furlongs.

Mr. M. Hussain Salemahomed's INVADER 8-5 Gumansingh 1
Mr. G. A. Jasdenwalla's INTERLAKEN 8-0 S. Chavan 2
Mr. Sultan Moloobhoy's VIE ON 9-0 Kheemsingh 3
Mr, Ahmed M. Khairaz's PRINCESS VICTORY 8-4 Shaikh 4

Not run: Atomic, Galatea.

Won by 1 3/4 length, Shd., 1/2 length.
Time: 1min. 29 2-5secs.
Tote paid Rs. 88 for win and Rs. 20 Rs. 19 and Rs 16 for places.
Winner trained by A. Abbas.

THE DEHLI PLATE (Div. III)—Distance 7 Furlongs.

M/s Hugo Wachsmann and D. N. Shroff's JOUETTE 8-12 Cunningham 1
Mr. R. T. Wandekar's AJINKYA TARA II 8-12 Kheemsingh 2
Mr. S. A. Poonawalla's DAISY TRIPPER 7-10 Damodar 3
Mr. S. Zito's INDIANA 8-8 Medhe 4

All ran.

Won by Shd., Shd., 6 lengths.
Time: 1min. 30secs.
Tote paid Rs. 107 for win, Rs. 26, 21, 38 for places.
Winner trained by N. E. Raymond.

THE CURSETJEE DHUNJISHAW PLATE—Distance 1 Mile.

Mr. Osman Chotani's PANDITJI 9-0 Purtusingh 1
Maharani Chimnabai's FULL POPPY 9-0 Evans 2
Major A. Svamvur's BATTLE OUT 9-0 Diab 3
Mr. G. A. Jasdanwalla's SIR GALAHAD 9-0 Amir Ahmed .. 4

All ran.

Won by 2 lengths, 1/2 length, Nk.
Time: 1min. 45secs.
Tote paid Rs. 58 for win, Rs. 16, 13 and 80 for places.
Winner trained by E. Mahomed.

THE UJJAIN PLATE—Distance 6 Furlongs.

M/s. Abulla I. Rahimtoola and A. H. Ahmedbhoy's LIBERTY BELLE 8-3 Kheemsingh 1
M/s. J. D. Banatwalla and D. N. Khambata's FLYING ARROW 8-3 Russell 2
Mr. H. Fazalbhoy's MORTON DAISY 8-2 Roberts 3
Mrs. Clara Hill's NEW MOON 9-0 Rickaby 4

Not run: Duke of Ramgarh.

Won by 3 1/2 lengths, 1 length, 1 1/2 length.
Time: 1min. 15 4-5secs.
Tote paid Rs. 55 for win, Rs. 21, 23 and 30 for places.
Winner trained by A. L. J. Talib.

THE AGA SHAMSHUDDIN PLATE—Distance 6 Furlongs.

Maharaja of Kashmir's FULL HOUSE 8-8 Mullsingh 1
M/s. Syed Amjad Ali and Mahomed Moloobhoy's FAIR HAVEN 8-8 Antoo 2
Mr. K. S. Dilipsinhji and Mrs. P. J. Sheth's PRAMILA 7-13 Evans 3
Maharani Seeta Devi of Baroda's MA'MASELLE 8-11 P. Khade .. 4

All ran.

Won by 2 1/4 lengths, 1 length 1 1/4 length.
Time: 1min. 14 4-5secs.
Tote paid Rs. 97 for win, Rs. 24, 23 and 16 for places.
Winner trained B. L. Shinde.

THE DELHI PLATE (Div. I)—Distance 7 Furlongs.

Mr. S. Bundali's BAVAJI 8-9 S. A. Kader 1
M/s. Chandulal J. Shah and A. H. Ahmedbhoy's HOODED TERROR 8-10 Antoo 2
Mr. Osman Chotani's PEARL MAHAL 8-8 J. Bhosle 3
M/s. Gopaldas Udhavdas and Beharilal Dholandas's SHERDIL 9-0 Rajoo 4

Not run: Chhatrapati, Cocktop.

Won by Nk., 5 lengths, 1 1/4 length.
Time: 1min. 29 1-5secs.
Tote paid Rs. 53 for win, Rs. 13, 11 and 15 for places.
Winner trained by E. Mahomed.

THE LUCKNOW PLATE—Distance 1 Mile.

M/s. Dawoodbhai Esoufally and J. C. Merchant's FITNA 8-9 Evans 1
Mr. Sultan Moloobhoy's SHOWN ON 8-0 S. Chavan 2
Sir Sultan Chinoy's MOULIN ROUGE 8-3 P. Khade 3
Mr. Osman Chotani's PALMY DAYS 7-6 Purtusingh 4

Not run: Lady Cleopatra, Courage.

Tote paid Rs. 45 for win, Rs. 18, 37 and 17 for places.
Winner trained by Buckley.

RIVAL TEST CAPTAINS

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(India)

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S. G. Shinde
K. C. Ibrahim
P. R. Umrigar
C.T. Sarawate

Stand-bys:— Ghulam Ahmed and M. R. Rege.

Goddard
(West Indies)

100 Kilometres Time Trial Cycle Race

BOMBAY, Wednesday

The Swastik Cycling Club will organise a 100 Km. Time Trial Cycle race on Sunday the 19th December 1948, starting from Churchgate Station at 6-45 a.m. The competitors will start one after the other at a minute's interval. The route to be followed is Queens' Road to Sandhurst Bridge, Hughes Road, Pedder Road, Hornby Vellard, Annie Besant Road, Gokhale Road North, Lady Jamshedji Road, Tilak Bridge, Vincent Road, Sion, Thana, Upto Kasauli Bridge on Bombay. Agra Road and returning the same route till Hughes Road diverting to Babbul Nath Road, Chawpatty, Marine Drive, finishing opposite 'Sea Green' Building. The entrance fee is Re. 1/- per competitor and will be accepted by the Jt. Hon. Secretary 'The Reward' Tardeo Road, Bombay 7. Entries close on 14th December 1948.

SAVOLD OFFERED A FIGHT WITH RALPH

LONDON, Dec. 8, (Reuter): Lee Savold, the American Heavyweight who lost to Bruce Woodcock, British Champion, on a disqualification at Harringay here on Monday, has been offered terms by the Transvaal National Sporting Club for a fight with Johnny Ralph, South African Champion, in South Africa in January.

His Manager Bill Daly, said here today: "I was approached after the fight with Woodcock and I asked for a certain figure. If this is acceptable, Savold will fight Ralph".

The Sportsman's Sportsfolio

India Routed By Canada In Thomas Cup

BY J. C. MAITRA

India's high hopes of winning the American Zone of the Thomas Cup was shattered by Canada in the very first round of the competition. Thinking that the American Zone would present comparatively easy hurdles for the Indian aspirants to the world title the badminton rulers of this country chose the new hemisphere in preference to the European Zone. But they were shocked to find that the Canadians play better badminton than we do. Ultimately the Indians were routed by seven matches to two. One match each in singles and doubles was all that our stalwarts could wrest from their re-doubtable hosts.

It was most creditable on the part Dvinder Mohan India's No. 1, to beat Dick Bircher, the Canadian Ace, in a thrilling struggle. But surprising as it may seem after defeating the Champion, he went down unaccountably to his second, Johnny Samis. It was again due to him that India was able to win a doubles match. With the assistance of George Lewis he accounted for Ted Pollock and Ray Smith. The on their victors in a return engagement.

SPORTING MATCHES!

latter, however, turned the tables

India's Test wicket keeper, Prabu Sen, was recently married in Calcutta. The happy bride Rina Devi, is a neice is of Pankaj Gupta the well-known sports administrator of Bengal. All the sporting folk in this country would wish the couple an unbroken chain of health, happiness and prosperity I join them in offering same to them.

I hear that two badminton stars of All-India fame are to be married shortly. They are Raja Patwardhan of Bombay and Sunder Deodhar of Poona. Partners in badminton are going to be partners in life. That is an excellent idea. If this process continues all round,—as it does in Europe and America,—the future of our sports would be bright indeed My best wishes again to this would be pair.

MCC MAY COME?

Since writing the above I hear that efforts are still being made by the Board of Control to persuade the MCC to reconsider their decision in regard to their Indian tour next year It seems that the Cricket rulers of Britain have softened their attitude to a certain extent and it is likely that they may reverse their last decision. If they do, every body in India will be delighted.

GOVERNOR AT GREEN'S

A reception was given to the West Indies Cricket Team on Tuesday at the Green's where Sir Maharaj Singh the Governor was present.

EXIT COMMUNALISM FROM SPORTS

City Organisations' Move

(From Our Staff Reporter)

BOMBAY, Wednesday.

One more step has been taken in the implementation of the policy of the Government to build up a wholly secular state.

This is a move which has just been made to banish communalism from sports and sporting organisations and throw open the doors of such of the sporting organisations in the city, which have so far been run on communal lines, to members of all communities.

It is understood that the Government of Bombay has taken the initiative in the matter and a memorandum has been circularised to all sports bodies canvassing opinion in the matter. Active support is being given by certain non-official leaders of the sporting world to the move made by Government to put an end to the era of communal gymkhanas.

TALKS WITH MINISTERS

It is understood that some of them have already had informal discussion with Mr. B. G. Kher, Premier of Bombay and Mr. Morarji Desai, Home Minister. Informal consultations have also taken place among members of the various gymkhanas, some of which have already expressed their willingness to fall in step with the spirit of the times.

Final decisions in this matter, however, must await the approval of the respective general bodies of the organisations concerned.

BOMBAY RACES

★ FOURTH WINTER MEETING

Saturday, 11th Dec. 1948

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RACING UNDER IDEAL CONDITIONS

INDO-FRENCH TRADE PACT IN OFFING

Economic Commission To Arrive In January

BOMBAY, Wednesday.

A bi-lateral treaty of commerce and friendship between India and France is likely to be concluded early next year, it is learnt here today.

The French Government will send an Economic Mission to India in January to conduct preliminary negotiations in this connection it is further learnt.

Initial talks on behalf of India will be conducted in Paris by Sir N. Raghavan Pillai Commissioner General for Commercial and Economic Affairs for India in Europe.

France has, it is stated, an adverse balance of trade with sterling countries and therefore it stands to her benefit if she could supply of India's industrial requirements in return for sterling.

It is also possible that a trade pact between India and Yugoslavia will be concluded shortly. The Yugoslav trade delegation, which is now in New Delhi is discussing a draft agreement with the Government of India it is further understood.

Sir Raghavan Pillai met the Belgian Economic Mission at New Delhi He said in an interview today that the object of the visiting Mission was to collect facts regarding the industrial requirements of India with a view to ascertaining how far Belgium could help her in this regard.

Sir Raghavan Pillai will shortly visit European countries including Germany to study the economic conditions there and will submit a report on trade possibilities between India and these countries.

Sir Raghavan Pillai will leave for New Delhi tomorrow by plane.

He was entertained at a luncheon party at the Indian Merchants Chamber, Bombay, today.

INTOXICANTS FOR MEDICAL USE

Questionnaire Ready

The Committee appointed by the Government of Bombay for investigation into the question of use of opium, ganja and bhang by Ayurvedic pharmacies and vaidyas has framed questionnaire forms for finding out the actual requirements of Ayurvedic and Unani pharmacies and medical practitioners in respect of opium, ganja, bhang and alcohol for medicinal purposes. The forms can be had from the Secretary, Investigation Committee, Provincial Prohibition Board, Old Custom House, Fort, Bombay.

The Ayurvedic and Unani Pharmacies and Medical Practitioners are requested to obtain these forms and send them to the above address, duly filled in as early as possible.

U.P. Ban On Hindi Booklet

The Government of United Provinces has issued a notification under Section 99-A of the Code of Criminal Procedure, declaring to the forfeited to His Majesty all copies of the Hindi Booklet entitled "Mazdoor Sabha Ka Allah", written by Niranjan, printed and published by Sharaf Athar Ali, 190 Khetbari Main Road, Bombay 4, at New Age Printing Press and Jan Prakashan Griha, respectively.

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U. S. TOWN PLANNERS' OBSERVATION FLIGHT OVER BOMBAY

BOMBAY, Wednesday.

The Standing Committee of the Bombay Municipality reported today that an aerial observation flight of the area beyond Greater Bombay was recently made by Mr. Albert Mayer, the American Town Planner, with a view to finding out some more "satellite" towns for spilling over the population and industry of Bombay.

Mr. Mayer made several visits to Bombay for advising the Municipality on the implementation of the Master Plan for Greater Bombay.

G.I.P. Mazdoor Panchayat Executive's Decision

BOMBAY, Wednesday.

Resolution ratifying the decision of the All-India Railway's Federation of taking a strike ballot on the demands of railwaymen and taking steps to organise squads to protect the railway property during the strike were passed at a meeting of the Central Executive Committee of the G.I.P. Railway Mazdoor Panchayat at their meeting held at Manmad on December 5.

Delegates from all over G.I.P. Railway attended the meeting of the Executive Committee. The Committee also made an appeal to all railwaymen to contribute their one day's pay to the "emergency Fund."

Amendment To Co-operative Societies Rules

The Government of Bombay proposes to amend the Bombay Co-operative Societies Rules, 1927. Sub-rule (1) of Rule 31 relating to audit of accounts of certain classes of societies is being substituted by new one, while a minor change is proposed in Sub-Rule (2) of the same Rule. The draft notification containing the proposed changes has been published in the Bombay Government Gazette (Part IV B) of November 25, 1948. Any objections or suggestions received by the Secretary to the Government of Bombay in the Revenue Department from any person with respect to the draft by January 3, 1949, will be considered by the Government.

Jairamdas Visits Milk Colony

BOMBAY, Wednesday.

Mr. Jairamdas Daulatram, Minister for Food, Government of India visited this morning the milk colony of the Government of Bombay at Arrey and expressed his appreciation of the most up-to-date lines on which the colony has been constructed.

When one of the units which is already completed was shown to him, the minister said that he was impressed by the planning and lay-out. He was told that it would take about eighteen months for the whole colony to be ready to shift the milch-cattle from Bombay's stables and house them there.

Mr. A. L. Dias, Joint Secretary, Civil Supplies Department and Dr D. M. Khuredy, Milk Commissioner, explained to the Minister that when it starts functioning, the colony would charge a reasonable rent to cattle-owners for stabling their cattle here. Milk would be purchased by Government on a monopolistic basis and distributed to the public at fair prices. It was also mentioned that the colony would be equipped with a veterinary hospital and the pedigree bulls raised here, would be sent to the village for service to improve cattle stocks. The pasteurising plant they had ordered would pasteurise 40,000 lbs of milk per hour.

The Minister suggested that the colony could encourage the manufacture of Gur and thus profitably use the large number of palm trees on the lands of the colony.

They could start educational courses for veterinary and agricultural students after college.

He also suggested the calling of an All-India Conference at Bombay of the persons interested in such schemes, and chalk out lines of common action and interest.

CITY BIDI WORKERS ON STRIKE

BOMBAY, Wednesday.

About 2000 bidi workers employed by bidi manufacturers in Grant Road and Kalbadevi areas have struck work today, as a protest against the reduction in their wage rates, and are picketing the shops in these areas.

Last May the Bidi Workers Union called for a strike to obtain an increase in the wage rates. Following the strike a settlement was arrived at and the rates fixed at Rs. 3/9 per 1000 bidis rolled of one variety, and Rs. 3/14 per 1000 of a second variety, bidis being classified as "tokri" and "chalu" according to their size, with further classification according to the strength of the tobacco.

Recently bidi maufacturers reduced the scale to Rs. 3 and Rs. 3/4 per 1000 bidis respectively. The workers struck work demanding a revision of scales on the former basis.

Bidi manufacturers throughout Bombay propose a reduction in wages. If this proposal is carried out the entire body of bidi workers numbering 20,000 will go on strike.

Control On Movement Of Spirituous Drugs

The Government of Bombay has prohibited, with effect from December 6, 1948, free movement of medical and toilet preparations and medicated or tonic wines containing spirit and also Drakhasava within the Province. Free import into, and export from, the Province of such intoxicants has also been prohibited. For transport within the Province of more than one imperial gallon of medical preparations containing spirit and half as much quantity of either toilet preparations or medicated or tonic wines containing spirit or Drakshasave, a pass issued under Section 13 of the Bombay Abkari Act, 1878, will be required, while a quantity more than one sixth of an imperial gallon of any of these intoxicants will not be permitted to be imported into, or exported from, the Province without such a pass.

Further, the Government has directed that licences in respect of the sale of the following spirituous medicated articles will be granted on the condition that the same will not be sold by the licencees to any person other than those holding prescriptions from a Registered Medical Practitioner, Registered Medical Practitioners and authorities of recognised hospitals and dispensaries:

Concentrated Dill Water, Concentrated Cinnamon water, Concentrated Peppermint Water, Concentrated Infusion of Orange Peel, Concentrated Infusion of Clove, Spirit of Peppermint, Spirits of Chlorof, Spirit of Nitrous Ether, Tincture of Orange, Tincture of Capsicum, Tincture of Lemon, Strong Tincture of Ginger, Weak Tincture of Ginger and Compound Tincture of Cardamum.

The Government has also prohibited the sale of Spirit of Nitrous Ether and Weak Tincture of Ginger, except by a holder of a licence for the retail sale of foreign liquor or a person holding a special licence granted in this behalf by the Collector.

Grim Story Of Greed And Calculated Murder

TWO SENTENCED TO DEATH BY SESSIONS COURT

BOMBAY, Wednesday.

On September 10, 1947, a bearded, 35 year old Sikh sat happy and comfortable, in the cosy flat of his friend on the fifth floor of Karim Court, third Pasta lane, sipping a warm cup of tea. A shot rang out behind and the bearded Sikh slumped to the floor dead.

In March next year, Ramsingh a domestic servant, trailed and brought to book with the tenacity of a blood-hound, faced a magistrate in distant Jammu, slobbered and confessed that his was the hand that had fired the shot.

But the brain that planned the deed was not his. It was done with a skill more consummate and cold blooded than his.

On September 11, 1947, the Railway police at Shamgarh on the Bombay Delhi line, while checking trains for contraband cloth and smuggled drugs, found a large black steel trunk, in a third class compartment. Nobody in the train would claim the trunk as his. It was securely locked. When the police opened they were confronted with the horrible spectacle of the body of unknown Sikh with this throat cut from ear to ear, wrapped in a counter-pane with its edges scissored away to remove tell-tale dhobi marks.

A case was, of course, registered and the papers of the case were sent back and forth between Bombay and Shamgarh. Even the identity of the dead man remained unknown.

It was nearly two months later that Dhanwantsingh Ahluwalia, came to Bombay in search of his missing brother, Kuldeepsingh. Kuldeepsingn said that his brother had rung him up at Mussoorie and told him that he was going to Delhi. A fortnight later there was another telegram from him to a friend. And then it was all silent.

Dhanwantsingh getting panicky, came to Bombay and on inquiries at Carlton Hotel, Colaba, where his brother, a refugee from riot afflicted Punjab was living with a number of others, discovered that he had not been seen since September 10. Inspector Sami of the Bombay C.I.D. sent him on to Shamgarh to identify his brother in the man who was found with his throat cut and shoved into a big black trunk.

From then the hunt was on. Inspector Sami and Sub-Inspector Salvi who were assigned the job, kept up in the face of insuperable difficulties, not only in catching the perpetrators of the deed but in finding evidence to bring the crime home.

Only yesterday, they considered their job done, when after a trial lasting 12 days. Mr. Honavar, Chief Judge of the City Sessions Court, passed sentence of death on Amriksingh son of Sardar Natha Singh and his one time servant, Ramsingh.

SPECIAL JURY'S VERDICT

It was a terrible and complicated story that was unravelled for twelve days before the special jury who returned a verdict of guilty—unanimously in the case of Amriksingh and by majority in the case of Ramsingh. It was a story of greed and calculated villainy.

Kuldeepsingh Ahluwalia came to Bombay early in 1947 because his Punjab home was shattered in the aftermath of the partition. Steadily he built up a business in turpentine, glycerine and roasin. He was befriended by Amriksingh who had a business office on Sir Phirozeshah Mehta Road.

In August 1947 Kuldeepsingh received a consignment of 52 casks of Rosin. It was the consignment of Rosin that stirred Amriksingh Mullick to his alleged activities.

POLICE INVESTIGATIONS.

The police investigation's involved the tracing of blood stains under the painted wall of Kuldeep's flat, the stock of rosin in his godown, their sale to a merchant at Mandvi, the receipt of Rs. 7,000 by him on a check which was cashed under the name of a man long dead, the sending of all manner of telephone and telegraphic messages, the tracing of a coolie at Nasik who carried the trunk in his handcart from the Kuldeep's flat to Bombay Central, the tracing of Ramasingh at Jammu, through a letter written by another servant, the discovery of an unlicensed pistol in Kuldeep's office on the basis of a statement made by Kisonsingh Niranjansingh who was also a servant of Kuldeep, the discovery of the murdered man's wrist watch in the possession of Ramsingh who was traced in the confusion of war-torn Jammu. The gathering of all these threads took the city police officers on plane flight to Calcutta and to Kashmir. Flying, in fact, was the order of the day. The Jammu magistrate who took the confession statement of Ramsingh had to be brought by plane by a city police officer who went by plane to fetch him.

That was why Mr. Honavar had a special word of "appreciation of the investigations done in this case by the police officers" and recommended them for "special rewards at the hands of their department.

Kisonsingh and another servant who were co-accused in the case, were acquitted. The Public prosecutor, Mr. Burjor M. Mistry, conducted the prosecution and the accused were defended by Messrs. K. L. Gauba and Lulla.

M. I. M. Rowjee Welcomes Sardar's Statement

Mr. Mahomedbhoy I. Rowjee, ex-Mayor of Bombay, in the course of a statement says:

I am delighted to read in the newspapers the report of the speech made by Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel at Gwalior on 5th instant in which he inter alia mentioned, "That all loyal Muslims should be treated as brothers by the Hindus."

I heartily congratulate Sardar Patel for giving the right guidance to the Hindus at a critical juncture, and thereby creating a good atmosphere of confidence in the minds of all Mussalmans of the Indian Union. It is the duty of all Mussalmans now to forget their differences and live like brothers and sisters with the Hindus, and enjoy the fruits of our hard won freedom by co-operating with all sister communities in the Indian Union.

Arrest Of R. S. S. Workers

NEW DELHI, December 8. (A.P.I.): Ten R. S. S. workers were arrested last night in Delhi. The arrested include some prominent residents of the city.

In simultaneous raids in Amritsar today, fourteen R. S. S. workers from different parts of the city were arrested and detained under section three Public Safety Act.

Some of them are divisional or sub-divisional Commanders of the R S S.

MADRAS JEWELLERY THEFT ECHO

Suspect Arrested In Bombay

BOMBAY, Wednesday.

A theft of jewellery and cash collectively valued at Rs. 150,000 committed in Madras about a year back had its echo in the court of Mr. V. K. Muranjan, Presidency Magistrate, Esplanade, this morning.

Applying for the remand in custody of Kersasp Edulji Daruwalla the police stated that the suspect had visited Madras in October 1947, and had stayed with one Sorabji Sharpuri. During his stay, it was alleged by the police, he was responsible for a number of cases of house-breaking and theft with "bar-bending" as his modus operandi. On one occasion, stated the police, he had entered the house of one Pretam Kevalram and had committed a theft of jewellery and cash valued at Rs. 150,000. He had thereafter decamped with the booty and was absconding. Some of his associates were however arrested, and on a statement made by one of them the suspect was arrested in Bombay by the Madras police with the help of the Bombay police.

Pending a warrant of arrest from Madras the suspect was ordered to be enlarged on bail in the sum of Rs. 25,000.

WANTED MAN SURRENDERS TO POLICE

Abdul Karim Natha, a resident of Bombay against whom a warrant of arrest was issued for kidnapping a minor girl, surrendered to the police yesterday.

According to the police the arrested person kidnapped the minor whose age is 14 from the lawful custody of her parents and took her to Jaffrabad. The arrest warrant was sent to that place, but in the meanwhile Abdul Karim came down to Bombay 3 days ago and surrendered to the police. The minor girl was also traced and lodged in Children's Home.

Abdul Karim was today put up before Mr. M. Nasrullah, Preaidency Magistrate, Mazagaon Police Court and allowed bail pending investigation.

Cottage Industries Board To Meet At Cuttack

NEW DELHI, Dec. 8: The Cottage Industries Board recently set up by the Ministry of Industry and Supply, Government of India, will hold its first meeting on December 13 and 14 at Cuttack. The Hon'ble Dr. Syama Prasad Mookerjee, Minister for Industry and Supply and Chairman of the Board will preside on the occasion.

PESHAWAR, Dec. 27 (API)—At a meeting held recently many prominent religious leaders of north Waziristan decided to form a Jamat-ululema in north Waziristan. The Fakir of Ipi has also been invited to join the organisation.

DOCTRINE OF COMMON EMPLOYMENT DOES NOT APPLY IN INDIA

(Before the Hon. Mr.. Justice Desai). Nariman Jehangir Ghadially .... Plaintiff.

vs.

The Hindustan Construction Co. Ltd. ..... Defendants.

His lordship passed a decree for Rs. 10,000 in favour of the plaintiff, a building contracted in the employ of the defendant company, as damages for injuries sustained by him.

The defendant company was carrying out certain works at Madh. It provided its employees with a lorry to go from Malad to Madh. The side-flap of the lorry having flown open while the lorry was in motion, the plaintiff was thrown out and injured. The plaintiff, therefore, filed this suit claiming Rs. 20,000 as damages from the defendant company.

The plaintiff was drawing a salary of Rs. 168 per month, and the medical evidence disclosed that as a result of the accident the working efficiency of the plaintiff had been reduced by 25 per cent.

At the hearing the plaintiff offered to accept Rs. 5,000 with quantified costs. The defendant company declined the offer and raised the defences of contributory negligence as well as of common employment.

His lordship rejected the defence of contributory negligence and held that the accident was not in any way due to the negligence of the plaintiff. His lordship further held that the English common law doctrine of common employment did not apply in India and that in any event he was not in common employment with the defendant's servants through whose negligence the accident occurred. His lordship criticized the attitude of the corporation in taking up these defences and stated that the truth of the saying that a corporation has no soul had at no tim been brought home to his lordship as in this case.

In the result his lordship decreed the suit in favour of the plaintiff with costs, awarding Rs. 10,000 as damages against the defendants.

Mr. R. S. Bilimoria and Mr. K. T. Desai instructed by Messrs. F. J. Ghadially and Co. appeared for the plaintiff.

Mr. S. S. Rangnekar and Mr. Y. B. Rege instructed by Messrs. Payne and Co. appeared for the defendants.

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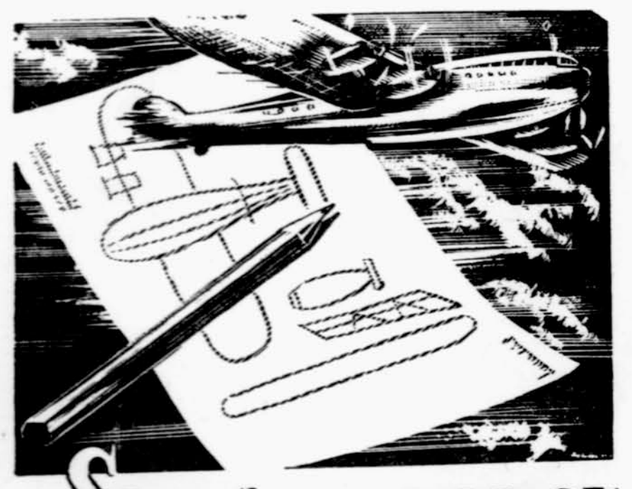
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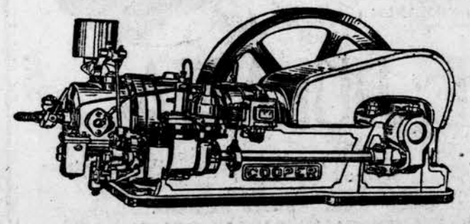
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COL. K. CANTLIE

One of Britain's leading railway mechanical engineers, Col. K. Cantlie has arrived in Delhi to discuss with Indian experts the production in India of railway locomotives. He is the overseas representative of the Locomotive Manufacturers' Association of the United Kingdom.

SOCIALIST WINS IN BYE-ELECTION

BOMBAY Wednesday.

Dr. A. R. Rangnekar, a socialist, was returned to the Bombay Municipal Corporation by a narrow margin of 203 votes defeating Dr. U. B Narayan Rao (Congress) in the bye-election held in the Walkeshwar constituency. This seat was held by the late Mr. K. F. Nariman. (Congress).

Dr. Rangnekar received 3,511 votes as against 3,308 of Dr. Narayan Rao.

The Independent candidate Mr. Jamnadas Mehta received 1,392 votes. Dummy candidates Mr. Narayan Rane (Congress) and Mr. Bansilal Mehta (Socialist) who received 46 and 41 votes respectively, lost their deposits.

In this bye-election, 8,298 out of the total 34,285 voters exercised their franchise. 170 votes were declared invalid.

Ashok Mehta And Harris Thank Voters

Asoka Mehta and M. Harris in the course of statement thank the voters of the Walkeshwar Ward for the confidence and support they have shown in the Socialist Party by electing the Socialist candidate in the recent Municipal bye-election from that Ward.

Government House News

BOMBAY, Wednesday.

The Governor of Bombay received Mr. and Mrs. Homi J. H. Taleyarkhan, Sir R. S. Sarma and Mr. Ramdas Kilachand.

Rani Maharaj Singh received Mr. Neville Wadia, Mr. W. B. Bryden and Mrs. R. Kumarappa.

Mrs. Krishnayya and Miss Godfrey came to tea.

The Governor of Bombay and Rani Maharaj Singh gave a Reception to meet the West Indies and the Indian Test Match Teams in the grounds of Government House.

Nagpur, Dec. 8 (UPI): Mr. Kashmiri Lal, Secretary of the C. P. and Berar Socialist Party announces that Sunday next will be celebrated throughout the province as Civil Liberty Day.

MELA

at MINERVA

In the Advertisement of the above pictured which appeared in the "Bombay Chronicle" of 4th December, the name of the Film Co. was wrongly mentioned as Motiwala Film, Ltd. The correct name is "WADIA Films, Ltd.".

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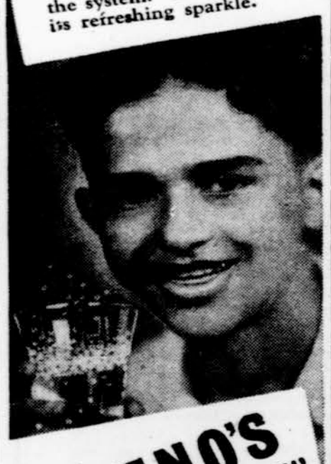

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To-day

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Muslim: Safar 7, 1368.
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Sunrise 7-01 a.m. Sunset: 18-02 p.m.
Hightide 05-27, 18-24.
Lowtide: 12-44, 23-94.

Today's Engagements

SHAVAK CHAVDA'S ART EXHIBITION: Taj Hotel (Princes' Room), 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. Admission free.

MUNICIPAL COMMISSIONER: The Municipal Commissioner and the Councillors of Ward Nos. 29 and 30 Lovegrove and Lower Parel will meet near Delisle Road Junction, Caroli Road tomorrow (Friday), at 8-30 a.m. (S. T.), to go round the Ward. The residents of the Ward who have any difficulties to bring to light are invited to be present at the appointed place and time.

BRAINS TRUST: Today, at 6-30 p.m., Y. M. C. A. Wodehouse Road, Panel: Prof. T. Aguiar, (Q. M.), Dr. Panandikar, Miss K. M. Boomia, Dr. S. M. Sethna and Mr. C. Ramaswami.

FILM GROUP: Meeting of film workers, Law College Hall, 6-30 p.m. Mr. Morarji Desai, will be present.

ALL-INDIA EXPORTERS' ASSOCIATION: The newly-elected Managing Committee of the Association has elected the following office-bearers for the year 1948-49:—

Mr. Chinoobhai C. Javeri, President; Mr. Naranji L. Kara and Mr. M. A. Khan, Vice-Presidents; Mr. P. K. Nagarseth, Mr. D. L. Shah and Mr. B. K. Maneeta, Hon. Secretaries; Mr. Jayantilal R. Shroff, Treasurer.

Radio

BOMBAY, Thursday, Dec. 9.

244 m. (1,231 kc/s)

7-30 a.m. Azim Khan 7-40 News (M) 7-50 News (G) 8-0 News (E) 8-15 News (H) 8-30 Gujarati Geet 8-45 Waheed Khan 9-0 Latafat Husain 11-0 West Indies Vs. India Running commentary on the second cricket test at Brabourne Stadium by A. F. S. Talyarkhan 12-45 p.m. News (M) 12-50 News (G) 12-55 Raswanti 1-25 News (H) 1-30 News (E) 1-40 Lunch-Hour Music 2-0 West Indies Vs. India 4-20 School Broadcast 5-45 News (K) 6-0 News (E) 6-10 News (H) 6-15 Khayal by S. K. Abhyankar 6-30 Sundrabai Jadhav 6-45 G. J. Kevalramani (Vocal) 7-0 Topic of the Day 7-10 Local Announcements and Weather Report 7-15 Violin Par Puria by M. V. Saraf 7-30 Vyahar Ane Kaydo 7-45 Film Music 7-55 Tear Nahin to Tukko 8-0 News (M) 8-15 News (G) 8-30 Sundrabai Jadhav 8-45 "Hamara Rindustan" 9-0 News (E) 9-15 News (H) 9-30 B. B. C. News Relay 9-40 Anything Goes 9-45 Sport Follo by F. A. F. Jesudian 10-0 Lunch-Hour Music 10-15 Handel 10-40 "Strange Destiny" Play by Charless Correa: Producer: Adi Marzban.

VARIATIONS

41.44 m. (7,240 kc/s)

7-40 a.m. Bhajanavali 4-20 to 5-20 p.m. West Indies Vs. India 5-45 G. J. Kevalramani 6-15 Calling Rural Listeners.

61.48 m. (4,880 kc/s)

7-45 p.h. Commercial News 8-0 Amrati Lal Navsariwala 8-15 S. T. Magadum and Party (Kannada Geets) 9-0 Latafat Husain 10-0 Waheed Khan 10-30 Latafat Husain.

TEST A. I. R. COMMENTARY: A. I. R., Bombay, will broadcast a running commentary in the Second Cricket Test Match, by Mr. A. F. S. Talyarkhan, as under:—

9th, 10th and 13th at 10-40 a.m. to 12-45 p.m. on 244 and 31.44 m.; 1-45 to 3-30 on 244 and 31.44 m.; 4-00 to 4-20 on 244 and 41.44 m.; *4-20 to 5-10 on 41.44 m.

11th and 12th at 10-40 a.m. to 12-45 p.m. on 244 and 31.41 m.; 1-45 to 3-30 on 244 and 31.41 m.; 4-00 to 5-10 on 244 and 41.44 m.

*(Between 4-20 p.m. and 5-0 p.m. on the 9th, 10 and 13th December, the commentary will be broadcast on 41.44 meters while School Programmes will be broadcast on 244 meters).

Goods Clerk Trapped For Gratification

BOMBAY, Wednesday.

A special Police officer Mr. N. J. Singh and Mr. S. B. Gupta of the Government of India, Ministry of Home Affairs, trapped a goods clerk, Bild Bashrilal working at the Guna railway station, G.I.P., Madhya Bharat yesterday for, alleged acceptance of Rs. 50 as illegal gratification from a merchant sent to him by the Police officers to book a consignment of ghee from Guna to Brindaban City.

The booking clerk was ordered to be bailed out by the City Magistrate, Guna, but was remanded into custody as he could not furnish the bail.

Mr. A. R. M. Osman who has been appointed Puisne Judge of the Supreme Court of Mauritius. He is the first Indian to occupy this position in the colony.

Increased Water Supply For Upper Floors

BOMBAY, Wednesday.

Waterworks Department of the Bombay Municipality has chosen the Mazagaon area for conducting experiments with a new hydraulic device for facilitating increased water supply to flats on the upper floors of buildings.

A large number of complaints are being received by the Department from tenants in the upper floors who are put to great hardship on account of the fact that "pressures" are not built up so as to enable water to rise to the requisite heights. In many cases, the Department has noted, overhead storage tanks on the top of buildings remain practically empty, with no water flowing in.

To bring about increased pressure, it is proposed to fix orifices on the ground and first floor connections of all the houses in the experiment area. The orifices will be fixed on the private communication pipes in the premises beyond the stop taps. If there are no separate connections for ground and upper floors, they will be fixed on the branch connections supplying water to the ground floor. This will restrict the supply to the ground floor and help to improve pressures so as to raise water to the upper floors and the overhead tanks.

The work will be treated as "urgent" and begin shortly.

The Standing Committee this afternoon referred the matter to the Works Committee.

"GANDHI-AYAN"

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Hyderabad—Shri Sunder Lal Verma, Deputy Commissioner, Balaghat has written the "Gandhi-Ayan", in Hindi on the lines and style of the "Ramayan" witten by Sant Tulsi Das. The "Gandhi-Ayan" is divided into 7 chapters and deals in 'choupais', 'dohas' and 'sorthas' on the life, teachings and activities of Mahatma Gandhi.

Pundit Mata Deen Shukul, another Hindi poet of Jubbulpore has written and published a book—the "Gandhi-Chalisa" on the style of the "Hanuman Chalisa" written by Sant Tulsi Das. The book contains 40 lines and eulogises the life and mission of Mahatma Gandhi".

Renewal Of Mawa Licences

The period for the renewal of Mawa and sweetmeat licences has been further extended upto 16th instant. All licence holders are informed that they should tender their old licenses on any working day on or before 16th instant at the Government Separated Milk Powder Dept at the Cricket Club of India Churchgate, Bombay, between 10-30 a.m. and 4 p.m. with a renewal fee of Rs. 5/- each.

If this is not done in time, they will be liable for action as under the rules.

Mr. Morarji Desai

Mr. Morarji Desai, Minister for Home and Revenue, will leave Bombay, by steamer, of Friday December 10, to visit Janjira in Kolaba District and Mandangad in Ratnagiri District, and return on Sunday morning (December 12.)

MR. G. D. TAPASE

Mr. G. D. Tapase, Minister for Industries, Fisheries and Backward Classes, left Bombay on Wednesday on a tour of the Dangs District via Nasik. The Minister will leave Dangs via Billimori, for Palghar, on Saturday, December 12 and 13. He will return to Bombay, on December 13.

WEATHER

WEATHER SUMMARY

POONA, Dec. 8, (API): Following is the daily All-India weather summary for Wednesday, 8th inst:—

The North-east monsoon has strengthened along and near the Coromandel coast where fairly widespread rain has fallen. A few falls of snow are reported from the East Punjab Hills.

Night temperatures were appreciably above normal in the Northern Deccan, the West Central Provinces and the United Provinces.

FORECAST VALID UNTIL THE EVENING OF 9TH:—

Dry weather will prevail over the country except for local rainfall in South-east Madras and Malabar and a few showers in Mysore.

Night temperatures may fall slightly in the Deccan.

Earthquake report: An earthquake shock of slight intensity at its origin about 1130 miles away from Poona, and epicentre near latitude 27-1/2 degrees north and long. 87 degrees east in East Nepal was recorded by the seismographs in the Meteorological Office, Poona, at 04 hours 54 minutes (IST) on Wednesday (8th inst.)

WEATHER CHART

POONA, Dec. 8, (API): Following is the daily weather chart showing the maximum and minimum temperatures and rainfall in inches during the past twenty-four hours total rainfall from first December 1948 and depart u ferorm tehnormal recorded at 08-00 hours (IST) on 8th inst.:—

Ahmedabad 88 64 0 0 0 Allahabad 77 54 0 0 0 Baroda 89 58 0 0 0 Bhuj 81 56 0 0 0 BOMBAY 86 72 0 0 0 Calcutta 79 59 0 0 minus 0.1 Cuttack 80 61 0 0 minus 0.1 Delhi 76 49 0 0 0 Hyderabad (Dn) 83 57 0 0 minus 0.1 Hyderabad (Sd) 74 54 0 0.1 plus 0.1 Indore 79 55 0 0.1 0 Jaipur 77 51 0 0 0 Jacobabad nil Jubbulpore 80 49 0 0 Kanpur Nil Karachi 76 (rest not given) Madras 80 73 0.4 0.7 minus 1.1 Mysore 80 61 0 0 minus 0.2 Nagpur 82 55 0 0 minus 0.1 Poona 85 59 0 0 0 Quetta Nil Surat 93 62 0 0 0

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Lost Grey Parrot near Cooperage Bandstand, finder will be rewarded. M. R. Patel, Oval View, Churchgate Reclamation. (9998)

MATRIMONIAL

Son of a retired Civil Surgeon, age 28, Graduate, Hindu, holding responsible Government position and well settled in life wants to marry beautiful high class cultured Hindu girl need apply with full particulars to Box No. 9984 "Bombay Chronicle"

Matches for highly educated girls 18, 20, 40 years and also for Officer Rs. 1,000/- monthly. Box 9901 "Bombay Chronicle"

SITUATIONS VACANT

Wanted a Lady Doctor M.B.B.S. or with Higher qualification or experience for a private, general and surgical nursing home at Ahmedabad. Provision for food-electricity furnished quarter and dhobi. Apply stating age experience, qualifications and salary expected. P. O. Box No. 110, Ahmedabad. (2486)

Wanted an expert male Typist and some Typewriter Mechanics. Bombay Typewriting Institution, Opp. General Post Office, Fort, Bombay. (9996)

Wanted an Experienced Offset Machine Mechanic. Good salary for really efficient and capable hand. Apply stating experience to Famous Cine Litho Works, 40-B, Clerk Road, Jacob Circle, Bombay 11. (9992)

Wanted a competent Graduate, well experienced in the advertising line and capable of taking charge of the Advertisement Department. Knowledge of Gujarati language essential. Apply personally, with testimonials to The Manager, Bombay Samachar Ltd., Elphinstone Circle, Fort, Bombay.

Supervisory Assistants. Qualifications must have passed the Intermediate Examination of any recognised University. Only applicants possessing some knowledge of Administration and Office routine will be considered. Applicants must be able to speak Tamil and English and should have three years experience in a Mercantile firm of repute. Apply giving full particulars including age with copies of certificates to Box No. 2466 "Bombay Chronicle"

Wanted a smart, preferably unencumbered, lady of about 30-35 years, knowing atleast conversational English, to teach Hindi thrice a week to a gentleman in the suburb. Personal interview necessary. Write details and terms to Box No. 9939 "Bombay Chronicle".

SITUATION WANTED

A Young Clerk requires part time job from 1-30 p.m. onwards. Write Box No. 9995 "Bombay Chronicle".

EDUCATIONAL ADLETS

Admissions— Davar's College of Commerce— Enrol immediately for Professional Diploma Courses for Company Secretaries, Bank Officers, Accountancy Specialisation and General Commerce. Tuition personal or postal. Call or write for Prospectus 51, Esplanade Road, Fort, Bombay. (9982)

Become Accountant, Secretary, Stenographer, Auditor, Insurance Officer by post D. Com., courses, American Correspondence College, (B.C.) Delhi. (9895)

Homoeopathy—Best Correspondence Course. For prospectus apply Grace Medical Mission, Mavelikara, Travancore 107

MEDICAL ADLETS

Wonderful God's Gift Medicine for Asthma. Rs. 1/5/- each. V. P. Charges extra. Menaka Debi, 19, S. N. Banerji Rd., Calcutta. (2272)

Wonderful God's Gift Medicine for Piles. Rs. 1/8 each. V. P. Charges Extra. Menaka Debi, 19, S. N. Banerji Rd., Calcutta. (2272A)

BUSINESS FOR SALE

For Outright Sale, Ladies Dressmaking Business Rs. 7,000/-. Also Bush English Radio, Madame Eless, 60, Wodehouse Road, Colaba, Bombay. (9988)

AGENTS WANTED

Wanted Agents, Salesmen and Canvassers for Rubber Products, Toilets, and Gripe-water. Write West End Industries Limited 557, Cheera Bazaar, Bombay. (1000)

MACHINERY FOR SALE

New Rivetting Machines for Iron, small parts, metal sheets, fibre, leather, &c.; Rolling Mills and Presses for goldsmiths: Decora Spray painting outfits complete electric driven delivery immediate Dinshaw Co., 105, Apollo Street, Bombay. 9951

MISCELLANEOUS FOR SALE

Auto Parts and Accessories all types genuine and non-genuine replacement parts, Oils Wheels Tires Rings other parts included for prices and catalogues contact Howard Morrison Corporation, 11, Park Place, NY7 USA. 2487

PUBLIC NOTICES

BOMBAY MUNICIPALITY

(Hydraulic Engineer's Department)

BY ORDER of the Municipal Commissioner, the Hydraulic Engineer invites tenders for:—

(1) Supply of anticorrosive or Bitumastic paints, as per Municipal specifications.
(2) Work of painting new Kasheli Bridges with two coats of anti-corrosive or Bitumastic paints in accordance with Municipal specifications.

Forms of tender, specifications obtainable from the Hydraulic Engineer's Office, Improvement Trust Building, Napier Road, Fort, Bombay, at Rs. 3/ per copy each, not refundable. Money order or cash only. Closing date 7th January 1949 at 1 P. M. (B.T.)

Intending tenderers may quote for either one or both the items mentioned above.

The Tenderers are requested to quote their rates exclusive of Sales Tax which would be paid where admissible.

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THE BOMBAY BULLION ASSOCIATION LIMITED.

WE HAVE written to the Government of Bombay regarding the payment of annual subscription of the Bombay Bullion Exchange Limited for S.Y.2005. No decision has been received as yet in the matter from Government of Bombay. Members are requested not to make haste in paying the subscription to the Bombay Bullion Exchange Limited until a clarification is received in the matter from Government of Bombay.

P. K. SHUKLA,
BIHARILAL CHHOTALAL,
Joint Honorary Secretaries.

Sheikhmemon Street,
Bombay, 7-12-48.

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THE INDIAN MANUFACTURING CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that as per resolution passed by the Board of Directors at their meeting held on 8th December, 1948, an Ad Interim dividend at Rs. 40 - (Rupees forty only) per whole share and Rs 20/- (Rupees twenty only) per half share (free of income-tax) for the half year ended 30th September, 1948, will be paid at the Registered Office of the Company "Sir Vithaldas Chambers", 16, Apollo Street, Fort, Bombay, on and after TUESDAY, the 11th January, 1949, to those shareholders whose names stand on the register on TUESDAY, the 28th December, 1948.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from TUESDAY, the 28th December 1948 to MONDAY, the 10th January, 1949, both days inclusive.

The dividend warrants will be posted to the last registered addresses of the shareholders.

The shareholders at Ahmedabad are advised to receive payments of their dividends from Motilal Govindlal Karsondas, residing at Hari Bhakti Pole, Sankdi Sheri, Ahmedabad, on presenting their share certificates and the warrants duly signed.

By Order of the
Board of Directors.
DAMODHER THACKERSEY
MOOLJEE & CO.,
Agents.

Bombay, 8th December, 1948.

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THE WESTERN INDIA SPG. & MFG. CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that as per Resolution passed by the Board of Directors at their Meeting, held on the 8th December, 1948, an Ad Interim Dividend at Rs. 40/- (Rupees forty only) per share (free of income-tax) for the half-year ended 30th September 1948, will be paid at the Registered Office of the Company, "Sir Vithaldas Chambers", 16, Apollo Street, Fort, Bombay, on and after Tuesday, the 11th January, 1949 to those shareholders whose names stand on the register on Tuesday, the 28th December, 1948.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from TUESDAY, the 28th December, 1948, to MONDAY, the 10th January, 1949, both days inclusive.

The Dividend Warrants will be posted to the last registered addresses of the shareholders.

By Order of the
Board of Directors,
THACKERSEY MOOLJEE SONS & CO.,
Agents.

Bombay, 8th December, 1948.

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LEGAL NOTICES

HIGH COURT OF BOMBAY.

INSOLVENCY NO. 139 OF 1948.

In re: SITARAM SHANKER AGARKAR, of Bombay, Hindu Inhabitant, residing at Girgaum Housing Society Building, Angre's Wadi, Vithalbhai Patel Road, Bombay. ..... A Debtor.

Ex parte: Messrs. SARDARMAL DEVICHAND & CO. ..... Petitioning Creditors.

ON THE Petition of the abovenamed Petitioning Creditors presented on the 1st day of December 1948 an Order was made on the 7th day of December 1948 by the High Court of Judicature at Bombay in its Insolvency Jurisdiction adjudging the abovenamed Debtor an Insolvent.

Dated this 8th day of Dec. 1948.

SAROSH H. A. VAKIL.
Insolvency Registrar.
High Court, Bombay.

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PUBLIC NOTICES

G.I.P. RAILWAY

SPECIAL TRAIN FOR JAIPUR CONGRESS

FOR the convenience of persons wishing to attend the Indian National Congress Session at Jaipur, a special train will run from Poona to Jaipur to the following timings.—

POONA	(d) 8-20 hrs.	on 14-12-48
SIVAJINAGAR	(a) 8-25 ,, (d) 8-28 ,,	
BOMBAY CENTRAL	(a) 12-35 ,, (d) 14-10 ,,	
SAWAI MADHOPUR	(a) 11-00 ,,	on 15-12-48
	Change into Metre Gauge Special	
SAWAI MADHOPUR	(d) 16-40 hrs.	on 15-12-48
JAIPUR	(a) 20-25 hrs.	

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SPLINT FACTORY IN KANARA DISTRICT

THE TIME-LIMIT for receiving tenders in respect of the establishment of a Splint Factory in Kanara District has been extended up to December 31, 1948.

(2488)

NOTIFICATION

No EST —244

Alibag, 2nd December, 1948.

APPLICATIONS are invited for enlistment of about 21 candidates for the posts of clerks in the Subordinate Revenue Service in the scale of Rs. 46-3-85 E. B.-4-125-5-130.

QUALIFICATIONS:— Matriculation and upwards.

PAY:—Matriculate Rs. 55/- and Graduates Rs. 64/- and 70/- for pass and honours respectively plus dearness and other allowances admissible according to rules.

Applications should contain details regarding:—

(1) Name in full.
(2) Place of permanent residence and present address.
(3) Caste with sub-caste.
(4) Age with proofs.
(5) Educational qualifications with year of passing.
(6) Special qualifications, if any.
(7) Testimonials from unrelated gentlemen.

Copies of testimonials and certificates only, should be enclosed with the application. The original should be produced at the time of interview, if called for.

The applications should be submitted in applicant's own handwriting and reach this office not later than 20th December 1948. The candidate should have knowledge of typing at least 30 words per minute and he should know Marathi written as well as spoken language well. Candidates below 23 and 26 years of age in respect of Advanced and Backward, Intermediate classes respectively need apply. Applications containing all the above information only, will be considered. The enlistment will be on purely temporary basis and will carry no kind of undertaking to be entitled to be made permanent.

(Sd.) R. K. ANPAT,
Collector of Kolaba.

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BOMBAY MUNICIPALITY

NOTICE

DY. CITY ENGINEER invites tenders for the following annual supplies for the year 1949-50:—

(1) Coarse sand about 6,400 brass
(2) 2 1/4" Road Metal about 2,000 brass.
(3) Quarry materials such as kerbstones, blue stones etc.,
(4) Bullocks and carts on hire in A, B, C, D wards.
(5) Bullocks and carts on hire in E, F, & G, Wards, including Bandra Slaughter House.

The tenders will be received in the office of the Chief-Accountant, Municipal Offices Fort, Bombay up to 1 p.m. (B.T.) on Friday the 17th December 1948.

Rates should be quoted exclusive of Sales Tax, which will be paid where admissible.

Forms of tenders, specifications etc. will be issued on payment of Rupee One for each copy to any one deputed to receive them, by the Dy. City Engineer (Works Branch) who will on application give any further information that may be required.

Forms of tenders, etc. will not be supplied by post.

By order of the
Municipal Commissioner.
Municipal Offices,
Fort, Bombay.
8th December, 1948.

(2499)

B.B. & C.I. RAILWAY.

DEPARTURES OF THROUGH TRAINS FROM BOMBAY CENTRAL.

OWING to interruption of Telecommunication and, as a temporary measure, through trains have been leaving Bombay Central earlier from 28th November, but with effect from Friday, the 10th December, these trains will leave Bombay Central according to their scheduled timings as shown below:—

Train No.		Departure Time. Hrs. Mts.
15 Down	Saurashtra Express	7-30
9 Down	Baroda Passenger	8-30
11 Down	Ahmedabad Passenger	12-10
3 Down	Frontier Mail	18-10
5 Down	Saurashtra Mail	18-40
31 Down	Rajputana Sind Mail	19-40
1 Down	Gujarat Mail	20-30
19 Down	Meerut Express	20-45
7 Down	Ahmedabad Passenger	21- 5

From the same date Up trains will be due to arrive at Bombay Central according to scheduled timings shown in the time tables.

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CONTRACT FOR CARTAGE

A LARGE FIRM of Engineers and Merchants invites tenders for transport of their materials in Bombay and Suburbs. Tender form and contract conditions forwarded on application to Box No 2474 "Bombay Chronicle".

COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS AND SURGEONS OF BOMBAY

NOTICE

IN ACCORDANCE with By-law 1 of Section IV of the College By-laws, it is hereby notified, for information, that a meeting of the Fellows of the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Bombay will be held in the Council Hall of the College at 7 p.m. on Friday the 14th January, 1949, for the election of three members of the College Council.

D. K. BHARUCHA,
Secretary.

Hospital Avenue, Parel,
Bombay, 9th December, 1948.

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GOVERNMENT OF INDIA.

MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY AND SUPPLY.

NOTIFICATION.

No. TCS-1/48(ii)—In pursuance of Clause 5 of the Indian Cotton Control Order, 1945, I hereby direct that the following further amendment shall be made in the Notification of the Textile Commissioner No. TCS 1/48 dated the 1st September 1943, namely:—

In the said notification in paragraph 2 the following sub-paragraph shall be added, namely:—

"(3) Nothing in this Permission shall apply in relation to any contract of sale by a cotton textile mill."

T. P. BARAT,
Textile Commissioner.

Bombay, 8-12-1948.

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BOMBAY MUNICIPALITY.

NOTICE.

THE SPECIAL ENGINEER (Works Branch) invites tenders for the annual supplies mentioned below for the year 1949-50.

(1) Supply of about 5000 brass of rubble stone to be delivered at the Municipal Crushers at Sewri.
(2) Supply of about 5000 brass of rubble stone to be delivered at the Municipal Crushers at Worli Road No. 11.
(3) Supply of about 800 brass of fine sand from Juhu at Asphalt Plant, Worli Road No. 11.
(4) Supply of about 400 tons of Filler powder for Asphalt mixture to be delivered at the Municipal Asphalt Plant Worli Road No. 11.
(5) Supply of labour for running the Municipal Crushers at Worli Road No. 11.
(6) Supply of labour for running the Municipal Crushers at Sewri.
(7) Supply of labour for running the Municipal Asphalt mixing plant at Worli Road No. 11 and for laying asphalt mix on roads including excavation and removal of old asphalt surfaces.

Tenders will be received at the Office of the Chief Accountant Municipal Office, Fort, Bombay upto 1 P.M. (B.T.) on Friday 17th December 1948. Rates should be quoted exclusive of Sales Tax which will be paid where admissible. Forms of tenders, specifications, etc. will be issued on payment of Rupee One for each copy to any one deputed to receive them by the Special Engineer (Works Branch) who will on application give any further information that may be required.

Forms of tenders will not be supplied by Post.

By order of the
Municipal Commissioner.
Municipal Offices,
Fort, Bombay,
8th December, 1948.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that as per Resolution passed by the Board of Directors at their Meeting, held on the 8th December, 1948, an Ad Interim Dividend at Rs. 40/- per whole share and Rs. 10/- per quarter share (free of income-tax) for the half-year ended 30th September, 1948, will be paid at the Registered Office of the Company, "Sir Vithaldas Chambers", 16, Apollo Street, Fort, Bombay, on and after Tuesday, the 11th January, 1949, to those shareholders whose names stand on the register on Tuesday, the 28th December, 1948.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from TUESDAY, the 28th December, 1948, to MONDAY, the 10th January, 1949, both days inclusive.

The Dividend Warrants will be posted to the last registered addresses of the Shareholders.

Bombay, 8th December, 1948.

By Order of the
Board of Directors,
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Agents.

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PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE

ONE "ORDINARY" Share Certificates No. 174 of The Tata Power Company, Limited, standing in the name of the late Mr. Joseph Cardoza has been lost or misplaced. All persons having any claim on the said share are requested to intimate the same to the above Company at their Registered Office at Bombay House, 24, Bruce Road, Fort, Bombay, within 15 days from the date of this Notice after which date no claim will be considered and duplicate Certificate will be issued to Mr. R. Cardoza in whose favour Letters of Administration to the deceased's estate has been granted by the Court. (9993)

AUCTION SALES

AUCTION SALE OF VALUABLE PROPERTY AT JAIL ROAD (SOUTH) OR UMERKHADI FIRST ROW.

Under instructions from M/s. Matubhai Jamietram and Madan, Attorneys for Mr. Fakir Mahomed Lalji Sajan, the Sole Trustee of a certain Trust Deed, dated 15th March, 1909, made by Datoo Sajan (since deceased) M/s. BENNETT & CO., will sell by Public Auction on WEDNESDAY, 15-12-48 at 4 P.M. (S.T.) on the premises:—

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For further particulars and conditions of sale apply to the above Solicitors or to the undersigned.

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Under instructions from the Deputy Controller of accommodation, M/s. BENNETT & CO., will sell by Public Auction on MONDAY, 13-12-48 at 11 A.M (S.T.) at Shop No. 54, in Camu Sulleman Chawl, Huzeria Moholla, Two Tanks beds, iron stands sagris, thalas, etc., on WEDNESDAY, 15th inst. at 11 A.M. at Rooms No. 1, 2 and 3, ground floor, Bhandarker Road, Matunga, G.I.P., articles such as tables, wall clocks, chairs, cots, cupboards, safe, radio, water boiler, mattresses cots, etc. Terms Cash and immediate delivery

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TARIFF BOARD RECOMMENDS CHEAPER PRICES FOR CLOTH

Government Decision To Be Announced This Week

(From Our Correspondent).

NEW DELHI, Dec. 8.—Government of India's decision on cloth prices is expected to be announced during this week.

According to lobby reports prices fixed by Government would be midway between peak and 'ad hoc' prices, recently fixed by the Government. Two instances will illustrate the point. January prices of medium quality cloth ruled at 30 annas per pound peak, prices at 40 annas per pound, 'ad hoc' prices at 35 annas per pound. Price now fixed by the Government will be about 30 as. per pound. January prices of superfine cloth, similarly, were 80 annas per pound, peak prices 275 annas per pound, 'ad hoc' prices 115 annas per pound and prices now fixed will be 100 annas per pound.

In both cases it will be thus seen that prices are lower to both 'ad hoc' prices and peak prices.

These prices have been worked out on the basis of the recommendations of B the Tariff Board which submitted its report at the end of June this year. Delay in its publication was due to the fact that it was referred to the Textile Advisory Board which disputed certain of its findings. One of the disputed issues related to loomshift cost which the Committee of Textile Board said should be 96 annas per pound as against 77 annas per pound fixed by the Tariff Board. The Government has accepted the Tariff Board's figures and have based their prices on the basis of 77 annas per pound, as cost of loomshift.

CHEAPER PRICES FOR CLOTH

The Tariff Board has formulated certain principles which should be found useful for other industries in general and for sharing in profit scheme of Labour Ministry in particular.

The Board would like cheaper prices for cloth which would benefit the consumers including the working class. It has preferred this method to high prices and high profits and higher share from those profits to workers.

RETURN ON "EMPLOYED CAPITAL" REJECTED

After exhaustively considering "reasonable return on Capital" it has rejected demand for return on "Employed Capital" and has preferred "Fixed Block" on which it has based its recommendations for reasonable return. The Board holds that return on six per cent isadequate and reasonable return on Fixed Block as against 10 per cent permitted by the previous Tariff Board. In new concerns Fixed Capital is, as a rule, more or less identical with paid up Share Capital but in established concerns fixed block comprises land, buildings and plant and machinery.

Next question was how this Fixed Block was to be valued, on replacement value or pre-war value. The Board decided in favour of pre-war value.

Next issue related to depreciation. The Board held that four per cent should be adequate reserve for it. The Board holds that six per cent return on Fixed Block should be sufficient to provide for Corporation Tax and Business Profit Tax, adequate reserves, Managing Agents commission and dividend on Paid-Up Capital subject to income tax. Under present law Corporation Tax is at rate of two annas per rupee or 12½ per cent on gross profit. So far as Business Profits Tax is concerned incidence would be practically negligible. Apropos reserves the Board holds that normally 20 per cent of profits should be adequate. In case of cotton mills, however, the Board has fixed it at 40 per cent, even though this recommendation might lead to reduction in dividends paid to shareholders to barest minimum.

Taking all factors into consideration, the Board holds that remuneration of seven and half per cent on profit (gross return minus depreciation) should be adequate commission for Managing Agents, in present circumstances, of cotton mill industry. Taking once again all factors into consideration including fluctuations in profits, risk and need for sound reserves, the Board holds that dividend four to five per cent subject to income tax should be adequate in present case.

Taking Bombay City Mills into consideration the Board has made the following analysis of its profits. Gross Block 3,737 lakhs. Paid Up Capital 1,511 lakhs. Return of six per cent of Gross Block, 224 lakhs minus Corporation tax 28 lakhs Balance 196 lakhs. Minus reserve at 40 per cent 89.60 lakhs. Balance 106.40 lakhs Managing Agents Commission at 7½ per cent 16.75 lakhs. Balance 89.65 lakhs. Dividends at five per cent on paid-up capital 75.55 lakhs. Balance 14.10 lakhs.

Poona Cattle Show Postponed

NEW DELHI: Owing to the prevalence of famine conditions on Gujrat, the Western Regional Cattle Show which was to be held in Poona during the first week of January 1949 has been postponed to 1950. All the breeds of cattle and sheep which were to be exhibited at the Poona Cattle Show, will now be exhibited at the All-India Cattle Show to be held at Rajghat, Delhi from February 28 to March 5, 1949. The entries for this show will close on January 28, 1949.

Big Fire In Basgasra

(From Our Correspondent)
AMRELI (By Air Mail).

A fire broke out in Basgasra village, in Central Saurashtra last midnight. Nine shops in the main bazar have been affected. The flames could be seen from a radius of 15 miles. Municipal fire brigades as well as the local people are fighting hard to extinguish the fire. The village is built in such a way that if the outbreak is not controlled soon, it is feared, the whole village will be destroyed.

40 Quit Junagadh For Pakistan

(From Our Correspondent)
RAJKOT, Dec. 8.

It is understood that on the night of November 30, Kaji Akhtar, former Junagadh Nawab's brother-in-law, Sidibhai and the Begum of the Nawab and some other Muslims, numbering 40, left by steam-launch from Diu for Pakistan.

Later the Junagadh Administrator Mr. Shiveswarkar, it is learnt, visited Diu and saw the Governor in this connection.

LUCKNOW, Dec. 7 (API)—Syed Ali Zaheer, India's Ambassador in Iran, will arrive in Delhi by air, on December 9, for consultations with the Government of India.

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RUSSIA DEMANDS DISSOLUTION OF COMMISSION ON KOREA

Three-Power Resolution Openly Violates, U.N. Charter, Protests Malik

PARIS, Dec. 8, (Reuter): The United Nations Political Committee has set itself the task of completing tonight deliberations on the five volumes and vast mass of other material prepared by the Special Commission which went to American Zone of Korea.

The Commission was not allowed to enter the northern zone, which is under Soviet influence.

'REACTIONARY REGIME' IN S. KOREA

Russia demanded today the dissolution of the United Nations Commission on Korea and condemned its activities as "camouflage for the reactionary regime set up in Southern Korea for the dismemberment of Korea".

M. Jacob Malik, presenting the Soviet Resolution, said the question of Korea was "far beyond the competence of the United Nations".

He attacked the legitimacy and honesty of the United Nations Commission sent to Korea to supervise election of a democratic Government, but which was not allowed to operate in the northern Soviet-occupied section of the country.

He said the Government setup in Southern Korea—occupied by the United States—consisted of "Japanese collaborators, American collaborators and puppets".

He added that the elections held in Southern Korea under supervision of the Commission were "anti-democratic and falsified"

The Government they produced was detested by the Korean People he said

UNDER "POLICE TERROR"

M. Malik said Southern Korea was under "a police terror. "The United Nations' Commission itself has not been able to conceal the indubitable fact that the American military authorities have turned Southern Korea into a Police State, writing in the throes of police terror, he said.

He added that the Commission "carried on the whole of its illegal activity under methods of police terror and repression, acting as a camouflage for the United States Military authorities

M. Malik said the Soviet Union rejected the joint proposal of the United States China and Australia that the United Nations recognise the Southern Korean Government, that the occupying forces withdraw "as soon as possible", and that a new United Nations Commission on Korea be established to:

(1) Strive for Korean unity.

(2) observe and "verify" the withdrawal of occupying forces.

"DOUBLE GAME"

M. Malik asked why the Three-Power resolution did not fix a definite time-limit for the American evacuation. "The answer is that the Americans are playing a double game", he said. "There they submit a resolution demanding withdrawal of occupying forces as soon as possible. But in southern Korea they are entrenching themselves and do not intend to withdraw at all.

"In their double-faced game, the Americans do not hesitate to call on the United Nations to throw a mantle of legality over the enslavement of Southern Korea, over its transformation into a playground for American monopolies, into a springboard for American imperialists".

M. Malik said, the Three-Power resolution openly violated the United Nations Charter in seeking to maintain a United Nations Commission in Korea.

The Commission is illegal, but it is needed by the Americans as a smoke-screen to cover their sinister designs

In this century when the peoples of all exploited countries are marching towards freedom and independence, the imperialist powers are finding it even more difficult to govern these peoples.

"By the Communist red herring and by the use of subservient United Nations Commissions, these Powers hope to be able to carry on their exploitation and throw dust in the eyes of world public opinion.

"This is what is happening also in Greece and Indonesia".

The Committee adjourned for lunch.

VOTING ON CENTRAL DEBATE

Against eastern protests, the Committee decied by 35 votes to six, with three abstentions, close the central debate "though the Soviet Union and Ukraine both wished to speak again.

It was decied that after the dinner adjournment the Committee would discuss in detail the three-Power resolution and the Soviet resolution.

GANDHI NATIONAL MEMORIAL FUND

BOMBAY, Dec. 8, (UPI): The collections for the Mahatma Gandhi National Memorial Fund, Bombay City, amounted to Rs. 21,52,973-7-9 till this evening.

IF "REDS" SUCCEED

Chiang Threatens Suicide

HONGKONG, Dec 8, (Reuter): Hongkong's leading Chinese newspapers published a Nanking report today that Generalissimo Chiang Kai-Shek recently told close followers if he failed in the war against the Communists, he would commit suicide before the Nanking monument of Sun Yat Sen, founder of the Chinese Republic

MADAME CHIANG'S REQUEST

The "Wenwei Pao" quoting a Nanking despatch said Madame Chiang Kai-Shek, before leaving for America to seek further aid, asked the Chief of the Chinese Air Force to take "full control of all aircraft at all times" for the purpose, if necessary, of the President's evacuation

Madame Chiang was reported to have hinted that should the President decline to leave, the Commander must force him aboard the aircraft if the situation was critical.

CONFUSED BATTLES NORTH OF NANKING

NANKING, Dec 8, (Reuter): Both sides took heavy losses today in confused battles north of Nanking, with Government relief columns battering a Communist ring around three army groups fighting south to join the Capital's main defences.

Usually reliable Government sources said the relief armies, moving north from the key stronghold of Pengpu, were held up by ten Communist columns but were trying an outflanking movement with air support.

They had not yet contacted the trapped army groups which escaped from Hsuchow, 200 miles north of the capital.

Two Government reinforcements, too late to save the city, launched all out attacks today against Communists who last night overwhelmed the garrison of Kiangyen, 20 miles north of the Yangtse River and 70 miles northeast of Nanking.

LUXURY ARTICLES SHOOT UP

SHANGHAI, Dec. 8, (Reuter): Prices of "luxury" commodities today rose generally 25 per cent following persistent but unconfirmed reports that a contingent of United States marines would arrive here shortly as a precautionary measure against the possible internal disorders.

B. B. & C. I. SPECIALS TO JAIPUR CONGRESS

Peparture: Bombay Central 2.10 p.m.
Arrival: Gandhi Nagar 8.25 p.m. next day.

Booking at Congress House, Vithalbhai Patel Road, Bombay 4.

Single journey fare: Rs. 18/12.

President-Elect's Special Train

JAIPUR, Dec 8 (API)—The special train carrying the president-elect for the Jaipur Congress session will start from Delhi at 6 a.m. on December 15 and reach Gandhinagar at 1-40 p.m. the same day.

On the way the train will halt at Rewari, Alwar and Bandikui.

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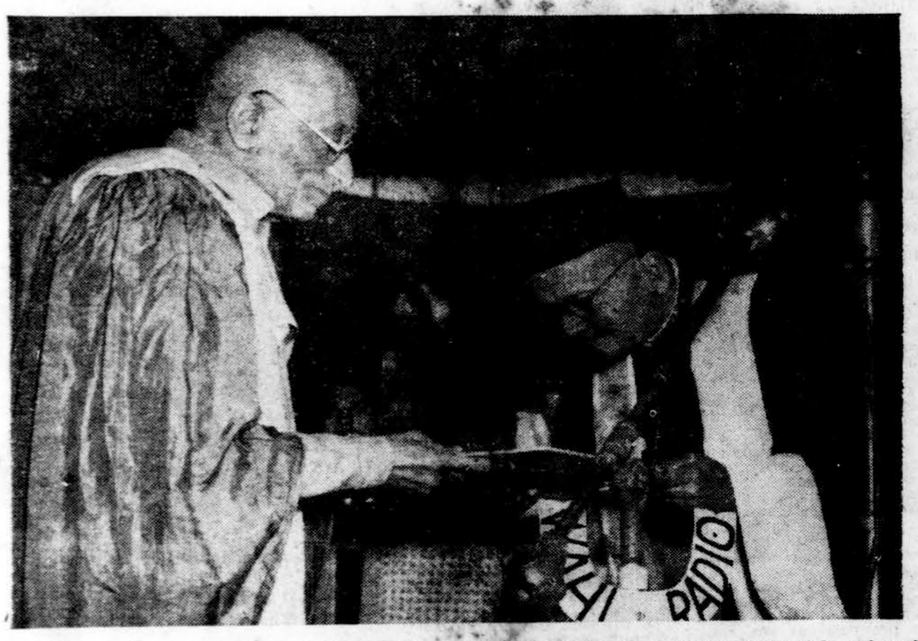

His Excellency Shri C. Rajagopalachari, Governor-General of India receives the degree of Doctor of Laws from Dr Amar Nath Jha, Vice Chancellor of the Banaras Hindu University, on December 2, during his recent visit to the Banaras city.

MALAN MAY RESIGN

JOHANNESBURG, Dec. 8 (Reuter): The political correspondent of the "Rand Daily Mail," quoting opinion in Pretoria, seat of the Government, said a political crisis is expected on January 12 when the South African Cabinet meets in Capetown, and that a "showdown" over the entrenchal clause in the Union's Constitution is probable.

The "entrenched clauses" safeguarding European language rights and also the franchise rights of Coloured and African voters in Cape province provide that any alterations can be made only by a two thirds majority of both Houses of Parliament.

There were rumours in Financial and business circles in Johannesburg and Pretoria that when Parliament reassembles, Prime Minister Daniel Malan would be forced to tender his resignation.

KAREN TRIBESMEN IN REVOLT

Plans For A March On Moulmein

RANGOON, DEC. 8 (REUTER): THREE THOUSAND REVOLTING KAREN TRIBESMEN ARE MASSING IN TENASSERIM FOR A MARCH ON MOULMEIN, PRINCIPAL RICE-EXPORTING PORT OF SOUTHERN BURMA, THE INDEPENDENT NEWSPAPER "THE NATION" REPORTED TODAY.

OFFICIAL SOURCES WOULD NOT COMMENT ON THE REPORT.

FORCIBLE RECRUITMENT BY 'REDS'

Burmese Communists are forcibly recruiting youths for training for the "People's Democratic Army", it was officially stated here today.

The Communists have established two military training schools near Pegu, forty miles north of the capital, it was added.

Errol Flynn Fined For Kicking Policeman

NEW YORK, Dec. 8 (UPA): Errol Flynn swash-buckling movie star who was in and out of jail twice yesterday, paid a dollar 50.00 in fine today for kicking a policeman and said that he was going to Cuba.

Flynn, who overslept a court appointment and was thrown in jail a second time for it yesterday, showed up 15 minutes early today accompanied by Morris Green, an attorney.

Magistrate Henri Chawob accepted Green's request for the third degree assault charge against Flynn to be reduced to disorderly conduct. The movie star then pleaded guilty and peeled out three ten-dollar bills and a twenty-dollar bill from a roll in pocket to pay his fine.

The Judge gave him an alternative of 30 days in jail.

Indian Elected Chairman

GENEVA, Dec. 8 (Reuter): Mr Shamaldharee Lall, Secretary to the Indian Ministry of Labour, was today elected Chairman for one year of the Governing Body of the International Labour Organisation here. He replaces Dr. Luis Alvarado, of Peru.

CITY DOCK WORKERS TO CONTINUE STRIKE

Union Executive Reiterates Its Decision

BOMBAY, Wednesday.

The decision to continue the two-day old dock strike in Bombay till the leaders of the Bombay Dock Workers' Union were released was taken by the Managing Committee of the Dork Workers' Union, which met late tonight at Servants' of India Society.

Representatives of various other Dock workers, stevedores and Port Trust employees Unions were present at the meeting by special invitation as also the Socialist leader Mr. Ashok Mehta and Trade Union leaders, Mr. Dinkar Desai and Mr. N S. Phadke.

The deliberations continued till late in the night and finally the meeting dispersed after midnight after adopting the resolution reiterating its decision to continue the strike till their demand was acceded to by the Government of Bombay.

NEW ACTING SECRETARY

The Committee also decided to continue the work of their Union unhampered, although the General Secretary and other office bearers were suddenly arrested; and for this purpose, the Managing Committee appointed a new acting General Secretary, who is a dock worker.

Mr. Abul Fate, Vice-President of the Union, who is also a dock worker, presided over the meeting.

It is gathered that the dock strike may deteriorate unless a fresh development takes place to induce the dock workers to return to work tomorrow. There were indications that representatives of other dock workers and stevedores Unions, who were present at the meeting, assured the Managing Committee of the Dock Workers' Union of their full sympathy to their cause and their likelihood of their joining the strike unless Government agrees to their demand.

According to a spokesman, who met the waiting pressmen after the meeting terminated, the Government could greatly ease the tension and help in the restoration of normal conditions at strike-bound area in the docks by stating officially their charge-sheet against the arrested leaders of the Bombay Dock Workers' Union. So far, he said, Government had not even cared just to tell the striking dock workers what was the exact charge under which their leaders were detained by the Police. This had only caused further uneasiness in the minds of strikers who suspected that Government was trying to suppress their Union and thus to hit it below the belt, he added.

PORT TRUST AUTHORITIES' CLAIM

Meanwhile, the Port Trust Authorities claimed that the night-shift at the docks was functioning normally without any trouble as more than 800 temporary labourers were employed to do the loading and unloading work. They also claimed that more than 200 stevedores have turned up for the night-shift. All docks, however, are still closely guarded by armed police pickets and all loyal workers and temporary labourers are given armed escort by the police. The Stevedores' Association have served a notice on all their employees who are on strike that unless they return to work at 8 a.m. tomorrow (Thursday), they will be permanently dismissed from the service.

No incident has been reported by the Police Headquarters till late tonight.

"DOCKS WORKING TO FULL CAPACITY"

The Bombay Docks were working to full capacity today according to Port Trust official sources.

A spokesman said: "We have been able to meet all our requirements from refugee and local casual labour." He also told a reporter of the paper that the Port Trust had also been able to supply labourers to stevedores and the Food Controller. The Union men, that is, members of the Bombay Dock Workers' Union who constitute the main labour employed by the Bombay Port Trust, however, did not report on duty today. They had not made up their mind whether to resume work or not until midday and will hold a meeting in the afternoon.

Anglo-Siamese Front Against Communism

BANGKOK, Dec. 8 (Reuter): Britain and Siam, closely allied in fighting Communism in South-East Asia, will discuss detailed plans for defence of the Siam-Malaya frontier at a conference at Singapore this month, it was learned authoritatively here.

This news comes a week after a conference here between Mr. Malcolm MacDonald, British Commissioner-General in Southeast Asia, and the Siamese Prime Minister Field Marshal Luang Pibul Songgram.

After the meeting the British Embassy here announced that arrangements had been made for closer co-operation between Malaya and Siam.

Siamese sources believed Anglo-Siamese co-operation in anti-Communist operations in Siam, Malaya and the frontier regions, and major security problems involved in Communist advances in Far-East countries were discussed

India Supports Ceylon's Application

PARIS, Dec 8 (Reuter): India today supported the application of Ceylon for membership of the United Nations. Mr. M. C. Setalvad, Indian delegate told the General Assembly that Asia "and in particular that region to which Ceylon geographically belongs" was not adequately represented in the United Nations.

The Polish Delegate, Dr. Katz Suchy speaking of Ceylon said he would vote against the application but his vote would not be against the people of Ceylon.

Self-Sufficiency In Food In Four Years

"STOP ALL EXPORT OF EATABLES"

Jairamdas' Appeal To Merchants For Support To Control Policy

BOMBAY, Dec. 8, (A.P.I.): Mr. Jairamdas Daulatram, India's Food Minister, today called for maximum co-operation from all sections of the Indian People to make Government's policy of Food Control "effective and successful".

The Food Minister who was addressing a meeting of the Grain and Oilseeds Merchants' Association Bombay said "it is a matter of regret and shame both for the Government and the people of India that India has to beg for food from foreign countries like America, Australia Egypt and Turkey. But we cannot blame anybody for the food shortage. Our freedom is only one year old and no serious effort was ever made by our rulers before that by way of making our country self-sufficient in the matter of food."

Mr. Jairamdas Daulatram said, the Government hoped to make India independent in the matter of food within a period of four or five years. "Ever since India achieved freedom" he said her National Government has had to solve tremendous problems. The food problem is only one of them. We are determined to utilise every resource, including the experienced and patriotic business community, to relieve food shortage in the country."

PLEA FOR CHANGE OF OUTLOOK

Urging the business community to change its outlook in the matter of export of eatables, Mr. Jairamdas Daulatram said, whatever was useful and necessary for the health of the Nation must not be exported. Our export trade should have India's good as its measuring rod. He deprecated the request by a certain section of traders for permits to export oil cakes "of which India is in dire need herself."

"India" said the Food Minister, "is a big and fertile country. We can utilise its vast resources for the production of commodities which are not used in India but for which there is demand in foreign countries and hence are fit for export."

Earlier, the President of the Association Mr. Devji Ratansi assured the Food Minister of full co-operation in tiding over India's food crisis

HUGE DEFICIT IN FOODGRAINS

NEW DELHI, Dec. 8 (API)..Faced with an official estimated deficit of two million tons of rice in 1949 and about a million tons in other foodgrains, the authorities have decided to accelerate the return to full control and by the end of February next, over seven crores of urban residents will come under statutory rationing.

According to the present schedule, Bombay will complete the rationing programme by February, Madras by the end of the year and Bihar by the end of February, while the Punjab, Bengal and Assamb will soon extend the scope and area of control.

The nature of extent of food control rationing in the rural areas are left to be determined by various provinces.

India has imported during the year, 885,000 tons of rice but the prospects of imports next year are considered in official circles to be less favourable due to the political and economic situation in Burma. The emergency allocation by F.A.O. for India is expected to be announced very shortly.

For the purpose of husbanding the resources and ensuring a proper distribution, it has been decided to allocate foodgrains to the provinces month by month according to needs and procurement. The allocation of foodgrains from the Centre to various provinces for January has been fixed at 381,000 tons of which 92,000 tons have been set apart for Bombay and 18,000 tons for Madras.

India has imported in November 223,750 tons and in December the import figure is estimated at 381,000 tons, of which 57,400 tons and 55,900 tons are rice. In December, the United States is to send 159,000 tons, Argentine 96,200 tons and Australia 51,100 tons and Bombay Port alone is expected to handle 1,12,500 tons of foodgrains.

India will have to spend over 100 crores of rupees for the import of foodgrains during 1949, according to present calculations.

R. S. S. Arrests

NEW DELHI, Dec. 8.

Thirty R. S. S workers were arrested in the city under the Public Safety Act by the Delhi police upto 6 p.m., today, including Bhayaji Dane, General Secretary of the R. S. S. who arrived here this morning from Nagpur.

Earlier the police sealed the Publication Centre of the Sangh "Bharat Prakasham Ltd.", and their press "Bharat Mudranalaya".

CONGRESS BAGS 47 OUT OF 50 SEATS

AHMEDABAD, Dec. 8, (API): The Congress has captured 47 out of 50 seats of the Ahmedabad District Local Board. 38 seats were captured uncontested.

Zafrullah 'Whips Up Dead Horse'

RAMANAND THIRTH'S REJOINDER

HYDERABAD, Dec. 8 (UPI): Sir Mohammed Zafrullah Khan's letter asking for an early meeting of the Security Council to take action to arrest the fast deteriorating situation in Hyderabad is to whip up the dead horse to life, said Swami Ramanand Thirth, referring to Pakistan Foreign Minister's letter to the president of the Security Council.

The situation in Hyderabad is almost normal, he added, and any one can come to Hyderabad and see people belonging to all communities carrying on their avocations as before. Sir Zafrullah Khan's letter once more points out the hand that was fomenting trouble in Hyderabad and Pakistan's complicity in all that has happened here before the police action was taken. The people of Hyderabad have once for all cast their lot with the Indian Union, and no power on earth can turn the scales.

If the Security Council has any respect for democracy and freedom, it should stop such interference forthwith and arrest the mischief.

DESAI ANNOUNCES WORKING COMMITTEE

HYDERABAD (Dn.), Dec. 8 (API)—Mr. Janardhanrao Desai rival "President" of the Hyderabad State Congress today announced the formation of his Working Committee consisting of eleven persons including Mr. Kashinathrao Vaidya and Pandit Vinayak Rao Vidyalankar, prominent local leaders, both of whom had been jailed during the Laik Ali regime. The names of the remaining members which would include Muslims, Christians and Harijans would be announced later.

FOOD MINISTERS TO CONFER IN CITY

POONA, Dec. 8, (A. P. I.): A conference of the provincial Food Ministers and Secretaries of the Agricultural Departments is to be held in Bombay on Saturday to discuss the question of seeking monetary assistance from the International Monetary Fund to enable provincial Governments to proceed on speedily with the land reclamation schemes undertaken by them. India's Food Minister, Mr. Jairamdas Daulatram who is now in Bombay will preside over the conference

Financial assistance to member-countries will be made available by the International Monetary Fund for land reclamation work and in the light of the discussions of the Bombay Conference the Government of India may ask for a loan from the Fund.

Mysore's 1 Lakh For Mahatma Memorial Fund

BANGALORE, Dec. 8 (API): The Maharaja of Mysore has donated rupees one lakh to the Mahatma Gandhi National memorial fund.

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